FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* VANLENT ANNE						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Biota Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [BOTA]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner			
					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/01/2013							Officer below)	(give title		Other (s _l below)	pecify
(Street) ROCKVILLE MD 50852			50852	4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable le) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(S		(Zip)	erivativ	ve Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficiall							v Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da					ay/Year) 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transactic Code (Insi 8)	4. Securi Disposed 5)	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5) Amount (A) or (D)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Instr. 4)	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	e (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Yea	Code (Instr				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly D	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$4.05	05/01/2013		A		30,000		(1)	05/01/2013	Common Stock	30,000	\$0.00	30,000		D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. 1/3 of the option shares vest and become exercisable on May 1, 2014 with the remaining option shares vesting and becoming exercisable in 8 equal quarterly installments thereafter.

Remarks:

/s/ Peter Azzarello, Attorney-

in-fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

05/02/2013 Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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