

# FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * EMSTER KURT VON		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CymaBay Therapeutics, Inc. [CBAY]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CYMABAY THERAPEUTICS, INC., 7999 GATEWAY BLVD, SUITE 130		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/05/2018			
(Street) NEWARK, CA 94560		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City) (State) (Zip)		<b>Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned</b>			

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	06/05/2018		X		2,000	D	\$ 5.75	19,236	I	By the Konrad Hans von Emster III and Elizabeth F. von Emster Revocable Trust dated January 18, 2005
Common Stock	06/05/2018		S(1)		920	D	\$ 12.51	18,316	I	By the Konrad Hans von Emster III and Elizabeth F. von Emster Revocable Trust dated January 18, 2005
Common Stock								90,000	D	
Common Stock								273,417	I	See footnotes (2) (3)

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V		(A)	(D)					
													By The Konrad Hans von

Warrant (right to buy)	\$ 5.75	06/05/2018		X <sup>(1)</sup>			2,000	09/30/2013	09/30/2018	Common Stock	2,000	\$ 0	0	I	Emster III and Elizabeth F. von Emster Revocable Trust dated January 18, 2005
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
EMSTER KURT VON C/O CYMABAY THERAPEUTICS, INC. 7999 GATEWAY BLVD, SUITE 130 NEWARK, CA 94560	X			

## Signatures

/s/ John Heard, as attorney-in-fact		06/07/2018
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>		<small>Date</small>

## Explanation of Responses:

\* 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).

On June 5, 2018, Kurt von Emster ("Reporting Person") on behalf of the Konrad Hans von Emster III and Elizabeth F. von Emster Revocable Trust dated January 18, 2005, exercised a warrant to purchase 2,000 shares of CymaBay Therapeutics, Inc. ("CBAY") common stock for \$5.75 per share. The Reporting Person paid the exercise price on a cashless basis, resulting in CBAY's withholding of 920 of the warrant shares to pay the exercise price and issuing to the Reporting Person the remaining 1,080 shares. CBAY also paid \$9.47 to the Reporting Person in lieu of a fractional share.

(1) Shares are held by Abingworth Bioventures VI, LP ("ABV VI") and Abingworth BioEquities Master Fund Limited ("ABE" together with ABV VI, the "Abingworth Funds").

(2) Abingworth LLP ("Abingworth") is the investment manager of the Abingworth Funds and has been delegated with all investment and dispositive power over the securities held by the Abingworth Funds. The Reporting Person is a member of the investment committee of Abingworth, which approves investment and voting decisions by a majority vote, and no individual member has the sole control or voting power over the shares held by Abingworth.

(3) From time to time, the investment committee may delegate investment and voting authority over certain securities held by the Abingworth Funds to employees of Abingworth subject to the supervision and oversight of the investment committee, including any limits on such authority imposed by the investment committee in its discretion and the right of the investment committee to revoke such authority at any time. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, if any.

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