

**FORM 4**

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 <b>SANDS GREGORY P</b>		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>THRESHOLD PHARMACEUTICALS INC [THLD]</b>		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <input type="checkbox"/>	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 755 PAGE MILL ROAD, SUITE A-200		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/05/2009			
(Street) PALO ALTO, CA 94304-1005		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	10/05/2009		p(1)		24,679	A	\$ 1.91 (2)	75,673	I	By Trust (3)
Common Stock								4,014	I	By Trust (CRT) (4)

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)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Common Stock Warrant	\$ 2.23	10/05/2009		p(1)		9,871		10/05/2009	10/05/2014	Common Stock	9,871	\$ 1.91 (2)	9,871	I	By Trust (3)

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SANDS GREGORY P 755 PAGE MILL ROAD, SUITE A-200 PALO ALTO, CA 94304-1005		X		

**Signatures**

Robert Yin, by power of attorney  10/07/2009  
Signature of Reporting Person Date

**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).
- (1) Acquired from the issuer pursuant to a Securities Purchase Agreement dated September 29, 2009, with a closing date of October 5, 2009.
- (2) Purchase price per unit. Each unit consists of 1 common share and a warrant to purchase 0.4 of a share of common stock at an exercise price of \$2.23 per share.
- (3) Shares held by a trust of which the reporting person is a trustee. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership in these shares except as to the reporting person's pecuniary interest therein.
- (4) Shares held by a charitable remainder unitrust of which the reporting person is the trustee. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership in these shares except as to the reporting person's pecuniary interest therein.

**Remarks:**

This Form 4 excludes certain shares held by Sutter Hill Ventures, A California Limited Partnership which are reported separately on Form 4 dated October 5, 2009. The reporting person is a Managing Director of the General Partner of the Sutter Hill Ventures Fund (AI), LP and Sutter Hill Entrepreneurs Fund (QP), LP which have previously been reported here. In the future, when there are activities in these partnerships...

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