FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>AUERBACH MARK</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VENTRUS BIOSCIENCES INC [VTUS]									ationship o k all applio Directo	•		son(s) to Issi 10% Ow	
	ast) (First) (Middle) 9 HUDSON STREET TH FLOOR					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/08/2011								Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)					
(Street) NEW YORK NY US 10013					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																
		Tab	le I - Non	-Deriv	ative	Se	curities	s Ac	quired, [Disp	osed o	f, or Be	nefici	ally	Owned				
Date			Date	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year		Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)			4 and Securition Benefici Owned I		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) c	Pric	e	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day)	ate, T	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		of Secu Underly Derivat		itle and Amount Securities Jerlying ivative Security str. 3 and 4)		. Price of perivative security nstr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transactie (Instr. 4)	e s lly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)
				c	ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er					
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$7.82	11/08/2011			A		10,000		(1)	1	1/08/2021	Common Stock	10,00	00	\$0	10,00	0	D	
Stock Options (right to	\$6								(2)	1	1/10/2020	Common Stock	35,00	00		35,00	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- $1.\ The\ options\ vest\ in\ three\ equal\ installments\ on\ November\ 8,\ 2011,\ November\ 8,\ 2012\ and\ November\ 8,\ 2013.$
- $2. \ The \ options \ vested \ 1/3 \ on \ 11/10/2010 \ and \ the \ remaining \ 2/3 \ will \ vest \ in \ equal \ installments \ on \ the \ first, second \ and \ third \ anniversaries \ after \ 11/10/2010.$

W. David Mannheim, by Power of Attorney 11/10/2011

** Signature of Reporting Person 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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