SEC Form 4

FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person[*] MARXE AUSTIN W & GREENHOUSE DAVID M	2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol XCYTE THERAPIES INC [XCYT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/27/2006	Director	X	10% Owner
		Officer (give title below)		Other (specify below)

C/O SPECIAL SITUATIONS FUNDS

527 MADISON AVENUE, SUITE 2600

(Street)

	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
NEW YORK NY 10022		X Form filed by One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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	02/27/2006		P		7,800	A	$0.6722	4,367,548	I	By Limited Partnerships
Common Stock	02/28/2006		P		250[(1)]	A	$0.7	4,367,798[(1)]	I[(1)]	By Limited Partnerships[(1)]

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (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: 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				

Explanation of Responses:

1. This is a joint filing by Austin W. Marxe (Marxe) and David M. Greenhouse (Greenhouse). They share voting and investment control over all securities owned by Special Situations Fund III QP, L.P. (QP), Special Situations Cayman Fund, L.P. (Cayman) and Special Situations Life Sciences Fund, L.P. (LS), respectively. 2,952,923 shares of Common Stock are held by QP, 857,036 shares of Common Stock are held by Cayman and 557,839 shares of Common Stock are held by LS. The interest of Marxe and Greenhouse in the shares of Common Stock owned by QP, Cayman and LS is limited to the extent of his pecuniary interest.

Austin W. Marxe	03/01/2006
David M. Greenhouse	03/01/2006
** 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).

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