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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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			the Investment Company Act of 19				
Name and Address of Reporting Person* Drummond Daryl C	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2017		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MERRIMACK PHARMACEUTICALS INC [MACK]				
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O MERRIMACK PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. ONE KENDALL SQUARE, SUITE B7201 (Street) CAMBRIDGE MA 02139 (City) (State) (Zip)			4. Relationship of Reporting Perso (Check all applicable) Director X Officer (give title below) Head of Resea	10% Owne Other (spe below)	er ecify 6	Month/Day/Year) Individual or Join pplicable Line) X Form filed b	ate of Original Filed t/Group Filing (Check by One Reporting Person by More than One verson
	Table I - Noi	n-Derivati	ive Securities Beneficiall	v Owned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities 3. Ov		cṫ (D) (In	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
Common Stock			92,420	D			
Common Stock			9,311	I	By	By Wife	
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Explanation of Responses:

- 1. This option is fully vested.
- 2. This option vested as to 1/12th of the total number of shares on 5/9/15 and an additional 1/12th of the total number of shares at the end of each successive three month period thereafter until 2/9/18.
- 3. This option vested as to 1/12th of the total number of shares on 5/8/16 and an additional 1/12th of the total number of shares at the end of each successive three month period thereafter until 2/8/19.

Remarks:

/s/ Brian J. Kickham, attorney-

04/10/2017

<u>in-fact</u>

** 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 5 (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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Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby makes, constitutes and appoints each of Yasir B. Al-Wakeel, Jeffrey A. Munsie and Brian J. Kickham, signing singly and each acting individually, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact with full power and authority as hereinafter described to: execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an Officer of Merrimack Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 (including any amendments thereto) in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder (the "Exchange Act"); do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to prepare, complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, prepare, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely deliver and file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and any stock exchange or similar authority, including without limitation the filing of a Form ID or any other application materials to enable the undersigned to gain or maintain access to the Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis and Retrieval system of the SEC; seek or obtain, as the undersigned's representative and on the undersigned's behalf, information regarding transactions in the Company's securities from any third party, including brokers, employee benefit plan administrators and trustees, and the undersigned hereby authorizes any such third party to release any such information to the herein appointed attorney-in-fact and approves and ratifies any such release of information; and take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion. The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming nor relieving, nor is the Company assuming nor relieving, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Exchange Act. The undersigned acknowledges that neither the Company nor the foregoing attorneys-in-fact assume (i) any liability for the undersigned's responsibility to comply with the requirement of the Exchange Act, (ii) any liability of the undersigned for any failure to comply with such requirements, or (iii) any obligation or liability of the undersigned for profit disgorgement under Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act. This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with the SEC with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this

Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 3rd day of April, 2017.

/s/ Daryl C. Drummond Daryl C. Drummond