

GREGORIAN VARTAN  
Form 4  
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**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 \*  
GREGORIAN VARTAN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CELL THERAPEUTICS INC  
[CTIC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
501 ELLIOTT AVE W, SUITE 400  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/2011

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

SEATTLE, WA 98119

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	Amount			
Common Stock	12/31/2011		D <sup>(1)</sup>			166,109	D	\$ 0 357,004	D
Common Stock	01/03/2012		A <sup>(2)</sup>			516,360	A	\$ 0 873,364	D

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. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GREGORIAN VARTAN 501 ELLIOTT AVE W, SUITE 400 SEATTLE, WA 98119				X

## Signatures

Louis A. Bianco, Attorney-in-fact for Vartan Gregorian  
 Date: 01/04/2012

\_\_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) Represents the forfeiture back to CTIC of shares of restricted stock. The restricted shares were originally awarded on July 12, 2010 and were subject to performance-based vesting conditions that were not satisfied.
 

As disclosed by CTIC in Form 8-K filed 12/1/11, CTIC granted a bonus opportunity, effective 1/3/12, to the reporting person that is payable in shares of CTIC stock upon the achievement of certain performance goals. These goals include market capitalization and other goals, with the number of shares payable based on the number of shares of CTIC common stock outstanding at the time the particular goal is achieved. A portion of this bonus opportunity was granted in the form of an award of performance-based restricted stock. The shares reported above on this Form 4 reflect the grant of this restricted stock award that is subject to the same performance-based vesting requirements as described in the Form 8-K for the bonus opportunity generally. The number of shares that would otherwise be paid on achievement of a particular performance goal will be reduced by the number of any related restricted shares that vest in connection with the attainment of that goal.
- (2)

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