Berkowitz Noah
Form 4
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Berkowitz Noah

(Last) (First) (Middle)

221 WEST GRAND AVENUE, SUITE 200

(Street)

MONTVALE, NJ 07645

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
Synvista Therapeutics, Inc. [SYI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/01/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

__X__ Director __X__ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ 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			

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun Numbe Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	$ 1.24	12/01/2008		A		100,000 (1)		12/01/2009	12/01/2018	Common Stock	100,0
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	$ 2.67	12/01/2008		A		50,000 (2)		12/01/2009	10/03/2017	Common Stock	50,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Berkowitz Noah 221 WEST GRAND AVENUE SUITE 200 MONTVALE, NJ 07645	X	X	President & CEO	

Signatures

/s/ Wendy A. Milici Attorney-in-Fact	12/03/2008
**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) 100,000 options will vest and become exercisable in four equal annual installments commencing on December 1, 2008 until fully vested.

(2) On December 1, 2008, the Board approved the issuance of such options upon the achievmenet of certain Company milestones. The options shall vest as follows: (i) 50% of options shall vest immediately, (ii) 25% of options shall vest on October 3, 2008, and (iii) 25% of options shall vest on October 3, 2009.

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