FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Poma Eric E           |  |  |   |           | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  Molecular Templates, Inc. [ MTEM ] |   |                    |         |  |   |                    |   | (Ch                                    | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner |   |   |   |  |  |
| (Last)   | ,  | ,  | Middle)   |           |   | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/26/2018 |                    |         |  |   |                    |   |  |   | (give title   |   | Other (s<br>below)  |  |  |
| C/O MO   |  |  |   |           |   |   |                    |         |  | See Remarks   |                    |   |  |   |   |   |   |  |  |
| 9301 AN  | 4. If A  | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |   |           |   |   |                    |         |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable |                    |   |  |   |   |   |   |  |  |
| (Street)   |  |  |   |           |   |   |                    |         |  |   |                    | Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person                   |  |   |   |   |   |  |  |
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| (City)   | (St  | tate) (  | Zip)  |           |   |   |                    |         |  |   |                    |   |  |   |   |   |   |  |  |
|  |  | Tab  | le I - N  | lon-Deriv | vative \$   | Sec   | urit               | ies Acc | quired,  | Dis   | osed o             | f, or Be  | neficial                               | ly Owned  | t   |   |   |  |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Day |  |  |   |           |   | Execution Date,   |                    |         | Transaction Disp   |   |                    | Securities Acquired (A)<br>sposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4<br>d 5) |  | Securiti<br>Benefic<br>Owned  | es Fo<br>ially (D)  |   | rm: Direct of Edirect (I)   | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership                |  |
|  |  |  |   |           |   |   |                    |         | Code   | v   | Amount             | (A) (D)   | Price                                  | Reporte<br>Transac  | Following (In Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)  |   | str. 4)   | (Instr. 4)   |  |
| Common Stock 11/26/2   |  |  |   |           |   | )18   |                    |         | M  |   | 152,945 A          |   | \$0.4                                  | 2 152   | 2,945   |   | D   |  |  |
| Common Stock 11/26/20  |  |  |   | 2018      | 018   |   | М                  |         | 86,95  | 1 A   | \$0.7              | 1 239   | 239,896                                |   | D   |   |   |  |  |
|  | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |  |   |           |   |   |                    |         |  |   |                    |   |  |   |   |   |   |  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)          | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security  | se (Month/Day/Year)                                      | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution I<br>if any<br>(Month/Day | ion Date, | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr  |   | 5. Number<br>on of |         | 6. Date Exercisable<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |   | te                 |   |  | 8. Price<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)  | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s<br>(Instr. 4) |   | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr.<br>4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|  |  |  |   |           | Code  | v   | (A)                | (D)     | Date<br>Exercisal  |   | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |   |   |   |  |  |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(right to<br>buy)                         | \$0.42   | 11/26/2018   |   |           | M   |   |                    | 152,945 | (1)  | (   | 02/23/2019         | Common<br>Stock   | 152,945                                | \$0.00  | 0   |   | D   |  |  |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(right to                                 | \$0.71   | 11/26/2018   |   |           | M   |   |                    | 86,951  | (1)  |   | 07/12/2021         | Common<br>Stock   | 86,951                                 | \$0.00  | 3,56  | 3 | D   |  |  |

## Explanation of Responses:

1. All shares underlying this option have vested.

## Remarks:

Chief Executive Officer and Chief Scientific Officer

<u>/s/ Eric E. Poma</u> <u>11/29/2018</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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