

Anika Therapeutics, Inc.
Form 4
January 28, 2016

FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WHEELER STEVE E

(Last) (First) (Middle)

32 WIGGINS AVENUE

(Street)

BEDFORD, MA 01730

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
Anika Therapeutics, Inc. [ANIK]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/26/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)

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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	01/26/2016		M	V Amount (A) or (D) Price 1,770 A \$ 10.51	31,122	D	
Common Stock	01/26/2016		F	486 ⁽²⁾ D \$ 38.33	30,636	D	

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 10.51	01/26/2016		M	1,770	<u>(1)</u> 01/26/2016	Common Stock	1,770

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WHEELER STEVE E 32 WIGGINS AVENUE BEDFORD, MA 01730		X		

Signatures

/s/ Sylvia Cheung for Charles H. Sherwood,
Attorney-in-fact 01/28/2016

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) Exercise of stock appreciation rights ("SARs") granted on January 26, 2006, which vested in full immediately on such date, and expiring on January 26, 2016.
- (2) Reflects 486 shares of common stock utilized to cover the exercise price of the above listed SARs award by the Reporting Person on January 26, 2016.

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