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## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Instruc	tion 1(b).			Fil							rities Exchar company Act		1934		<u> </u>	-	-		
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> Fowler Wyche					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ZIOPHARM ONCOLOGY INC [ ZIOP ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 701 A STREET NE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/10/2011								Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)						
(Street) WASHINGTON DC 20002				4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting						
(City) (State) (Zip)														Person					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/					/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code (	4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3,		(A) or . 3, 4 and !	Benefic	ies cially Following	Forn (D) c	n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transa (Instr. 3	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)					
Common	Stock, \$.00	1 par value		08/10/					Р		5,000	Α	\$5.185		,500 <sup>(2)</sup>		D		
		т	able II								posed of converti			y Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	. Transaction 3A. Deemed ate Execution Date, Month/Day/Year) if any			Transaction of Code (Instr. Derivative		-		7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$4.31								12/22/20	006	12/22/2014	Common Stock, \$.001 par value	15,029		15,029	)	D		
Director Stock Option (riht to buy)	\$5.01								04/26/20	006	04/26/2016	Common Stock	15,000		15,000	)	D		
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$6.49								12/13/20	006	12/13/2016	Common Stock	15,000		15,000	)	D		
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$4.85								06/18/20	010	06/18/2017	Common Stock	15,000		15,000	)	D		
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$2.73								(3)		12/12/2017	Common Stock	20,000		20,000	)	D		
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$0.7								(4)		05/13/2019	Common Stock	15,000		15,000	)	D		
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$2.85								(5)		12/31/2019	Common Stock, \$.001 par value	7,500		7,500		D		
Stock Option (right to buy)	<b>\$</b> 5.09								03/31/20	011	03/31/2020	Common Stock, \$.001 par value	15,000		15,000	)	D		

12/31/2020

(6)

30,000

Common Stock

30,000

D

Stock Option (right to buy)

\$4.77

1. The price reported in column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$5.15 to \$5.20, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth.

2. Includes grants of restricted stock with restrictions that lapsed as to 3,750 shares on December 31, 2010 and 15,000 shares on March 31, 2011 and restrictions that will lapse as to 3,750 shares on December 31, 2011.

3. 6,667 shares vest on each of 12/12/08 and 12/12/09; 6,666 shares vest on 12/12/10.

- 4. 5,000 shares vest on each of 12/31/09, 6/30/2010 and 12/31/2010.
- 5. 3,750 shares vest on each of 12/31/2010 and 12/31/2011.

6. 10,000 shares vest on each of 12/31/2011, 12/31/2012 and 12/31/2013.

#### **Remarks:**

Exhibit 24.1 Power of Attorney

#### <u>/s/ Richard E. Bagley, as</u>

<u>attorney-in-fact for Wyche</u> <u>Fowler</u> 08/11/2011

\*\* 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 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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For Executing Forms 3, 4 and 5

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Jonathan Lewis and Richard E. Bagley, signing individually, his true and lawful attorneys-in-fact to:

1. Execute for and on behalf of the undersigned Initial Statements of Beneficial Ownership of Securities on Form 3, Statements of Changes of Beneficial Ownership of Securities on Form 4 and Annual Statements of Beneficial Ownership of Securities on Form 5, for the purpose of reporting transactions by the undersigned in securities issued by Ziopharm Oncology, Inc. in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;

2. Do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete the execution of any such Form 3, 4 or 5 and the timely filing thereof with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any other applicable governmental or regulatory authority; and

3. 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 his discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary and proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as such attorney-in-fact might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorneyin-fact, or his 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 any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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 respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by Ziopharm Oncology, Inc., unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Power of Attorney as of this 24th day of June, 2009.

/s/ Wyche Fowler, Jr. (signature) Wyche Fowler, Jr.