FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1	Idress of Reporting F		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ZIOPHARM ONCOLOGY INC [ZIOP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ZIOPHARM ONCOLOGY INC ONE FIRST AVENUE, PARRIS BLDG 34		SY INC	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/06/2019	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) President					
(Street) BOSTON (City)	MA (State)	02129 (Zip)	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 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)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(
Common Stock	01/06/2019		A		159,010 ⁽¹⁾	Α	\$0.00	217,672	D	

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. Transa Code (8)		Derivative		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$2.24	01/06/2019		A		250,733		(2)	01/06/2029	Common Stock	250,733	\$0.00	250,733	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. 53,004 shares shall vest on 12/31/2019 and 53,033 shares shall vest on each of 12/31/2020 and 12/31/2021.

2. 1/12th of the shares underlying this option will vest in equal quarterly installments commencing one quarterly period after 12/31/2018.

Remarks:

/s/ Kevin Lafond, Attorney-in-01/08/2019

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person Da

Fact

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).

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