FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	d Address of		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ZIOPHARM ONCOLOGY INC [ZIOP]									Check a	nship of Repor I applicable) Director	ting P	erson(s) to Is				
	(Fir PHARM OI ST AVENU	12/	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/30/2011									Λ	Officer (give title pelow) President, C	00	below) & Treasure	r			
(Street) BOSTON MA 02129 (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ne) X	ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable 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																			
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Common Stock 12/30/							2011		A ⁽¹⁾	Τ	65,38	0	Α	\$0.00		219,147		D	
Common Stock 12/31/							2011		F ⁽²⁾		7,908	3	D	\$4.41		211,239		D	
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Explanation of Responses:

- 1. 21,794 shares vest on 12/30/2012; and 21,793 shares vest on each of 12/30/2013 and 12/30/2014.
- 2. Disposition represents shares sold to satisfy withholding tax obligations upon the vesting of a restricted stock grant.

Remarks:

<u>/s/ Richard E. Bagley</u>

01/04/2012

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** 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).
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