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 <u>Muneer A</u>		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Aerpio Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [ ARPO ]									k all app Dired	ctor	•	X 10%	Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O AERPIO PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/21/2018									er (give title v)		below	(specify ')
9987 CARVER ROAD, SUITE 420  (Street)  CINCINNATI OH 45242					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(S	tate) (	Zip)																
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Trans Date (Month/					Execur Year) if any		eemed ution Date, th/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an			Benefici		ies For cially (D) Following (I) (		n: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
					Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Transa (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)				
Common Stock 03/21/201					018	8			P <sup>(1)</sup>		4,000	A	\$4.847	<b>'5</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	3,258,835			I	See Footnote <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock				03/23/2018				P <sup>(1)</sup>		1,000	A	\$5		3,259,835				See Footnote <sup>(3)</sup>	
	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	e (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		te Exer ation I th/Day	Year)	7. Title Amour Securit Underl Derivat Securit and 4)	at of cies ying cive cy (Instr. 3	Deriv Secui (Instr	vative urity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	у	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	isable	Expiration Date	Title	of Shares						

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- $1. \ All \ shares \ were \ purchased \ by \ Satter \ Medical \ Technology \ Partners, \ L.P.$
- 2. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$4.70 to 5.00. The reporting person undertakes to provide Aerpio Pharmaceuticals, Inc., any security holder of Aerpio Pharmaceuticals, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price range set forth in this footnote (2) to this Form 4.
- 3. The amount in Column 5 includes (a) 976,568 shares that are held by the Muneer A. Satter Revocable Trust for which the Reporting Person serves as trustee and, in such capacity, has sole voting and dispositive power over all such shares, (b) 1,145,267 shares that are held by various other trusts and other entities for which the Reporting Person serves as trustee, investment advisor or manager and, in such capacity, has sole voting and dispositive power over all such shares, and (c) the remaining balance of shares are held by Satter Medical Technology Partners, L.P. for which the Reporting Person has sole voting and dispositive power over all such shares. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares included in clauses (b) and (c) of this footnote (3), except to the extent of his pecuniary interest.

## Remarks:

/s/ Robert M. Hayward by Power of Attorney

03/23/2018

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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).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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