FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Dugel Pravin				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Aerpio Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [ARPO]						(Ch	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O AERPIO PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/26/2018								r (give title		Other (s below)	
9987 CARVER ROAD, SUITE 420				4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) CINCINNATI OH 45242										- 1	X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)													
		Tab	le I - Non-De	rivative	e Se	curitie	s Ac	quired, D	isposed	of, or Be	neficial	ly Owne	d			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D				Execution Date,			te, Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		rities Acquir ed Of (D) (In:		Benefic	es ially Following	Form (D) o	n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
							Code	Amoun	(A) o	Price	Transac	action(s) 3 and 4)				
		Т	able II - Deri (e.g.					uired, Dis s, options				Owned				
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 (6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/)	ate	Amount of		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indirec (I) (Instr.	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$2.05	10/26/2018		A		2,500		(1)	10/26/2028	Common Stock	2,500	\$0.00	2,500)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Options fully vest on the date of grant, subject to the director's service on the Board at such time.

Remarks:

/s/ Amoli Pandya, Attorney in 11/16/2018 **Fact**

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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