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## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Young Jonathan		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Akero Therapeutics, Inc. [ AKRO ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2021					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  X Officer (give title Other (specify below)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O AKERO THERAPEUTICS, INC. 601 GATEWAY BOULEVARD, SUITE 350							Chief Operating Officer				
(Street) SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO CA 94080	4. If Amendment, Da	ate of Ori	ginal Fi	iled (Month/Da	ay/Year		Line) X Form	i filed by 0	oup Filing (Ch		
(City) (State) (Zip)	vetive Conveition	<b>A</b> i	- d D			2	ially Over				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D	ion 2A. Deemed Execution Date,	3. 4. Securities Ac Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Ac		·		5. Amount of Securities Form: Dire Beneficially Owned Following Indirect (I)		Indirect (I)	Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
		Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 02/01	021	<b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		2,855	D	\$29.19	(2) 176	,430	D		
Common Stock 02/01	021	S <sup>(1)</sup>		200	D	\$29.92	176	,230	D		
Common Stock							20,	000	I	By EA Irrevocable Trust <sup>(4)</sup>	
Common Stock							20,	000	I	By CM Irrevocable Trust <sup>(4)</sup>	
Common Stock							20,000 I		By JL Irrevocable Trust <sup>(4)</sup>		
	ative Securities Ac puts, calls, warrar							d			
1. Title of Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date Execution Date if any	2. Conversion Of Exercise Price of Derivative Service (Month/Day/Year) Securification Securification Code (Instr. 8) Securif		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) Benef Owner. Repor		ve es Form: ially Direct or Ind (I) (Ins d tion(s)	(D) Beneficial Ownership rect (Instr. 4)	
	Code V (A)	(D) Dat	e ercisable	Expiration e Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The reported transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- 2. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted-average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$28.81 to \$29.73, 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 in footnote (2) to this Form 4.
- 3. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted-average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$29.84 to \$30.00, 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 in footnote (3) to this Form 4.
- 4. These shares are held in irrevocable trusts for the benefit of the reporting person's children. The reporting person's spouse is trustee of the trusts. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and the filing of this report is not an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

/s/ Jonathan Young 02/02/2021

\*\* 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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