Instruction 1(b)

FORM 4

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Washington, D.C. 20549 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] Bitterman Kevin		erson*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Akero Therapeutics, Inc. [AKRO]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O AKERO THERAPEUTICS, INC., 170 HARBOR WAY, 3RD FLOOR		S, INC.,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/09/2020		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)	
(Street) SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO (City)	CA (State)	94080 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indi Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Fili Form filed by One Re Form filed by More th Person	porting 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)	3. Transa Code (8)		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	
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	10/09/2020		S		13,000 ⁽¹⁾	D	\$28.93 ⁽²⁾	11,780 ⁽¹⁾	Ι	See footnote ⁽³⁾
Common Stock								804(1)	Ι	See footnote ⁽⁴⁾
Common Stock								2,206,412(1)	Ι	See footnote ⁽⁵⁾
Common Stock								304,079 ⁽¹⁾	Ι	See footnote ⁽⁶⁾

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 3. Transaction Date 6. Date Exercisable and 9. Number of 1. Title of 3A. Deemed Execution Date, 5. Number 7. Title and 8. Price of 11. Nature 10. Conversion Derivative Transaction Expiration Date Amount of Derivative derivative Ownership of Indirect if any (Month/Day/Year) Form: Direct (D) Beneficial Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year Code (Instr. Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Securities Security Securities (Instr. 3) Price of 8) Securities Underlying (Instr. 5) Beneficially Ownership Derivative Security Acquired (A) or Derivativ Owned Following or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Security (Instr. 3 and 4) Disposed Reported Transaction(s) of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 (Instr. 4) and 5) Amount Number Date Expiration of Code v (A) (D) Exercisable Date Title Shares

Explanation of Responses:

1. The shares reported herein give effect to the pro rata distribution of shares by AVF XI and AVO I (each, as defined below) for no additional consideration to their respective limited and general partners, including AVA XI LP and AVAO LP (each, as defined below). As the distributions of such shares constituted only a change in the form of the Reporting Person's indirect ownership in such shares, the Reporting Person was not required to report these distributions pursuant to Section 16.

2. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$28.50 to \$29.30 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 range set forth in this footnote.

3. These shares are owned directly by Atlas Venture Associates XI, LP ("AVA XI LP"). Atlas Venture Associates XI, LLC ("AVA XI LLC") is the general partner of AVA XI LP. The Reporting Person is a member of AVA XI LLC and disclaims Section 16 beneficial ownership of the securities, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, if any.

4. These shares are owned directly by Atlas Venture Associates Opportunity I, LP ("AVAO LP"). Atlas Venture Associates Opportunity I, LLC ("AVAO LLC") is the general partner of AVAO LP. The Reporting Person is a member of AVAO LLC and disclaims Section 16 beneficial ownership of the securities, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, if any.

5. These shares are owned directly by Atlas Venture Fund XI, L.P. ("AVF XI"). AVA XI LP is the general partner of AVF XI. AVA XI LLC is the general partner of AVA XI LP. The Reporting Person is a member of AVA XI LLC and disclaims Section 16 beneficial ownership of the securities held by AVF XI, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, if any.

6. These shares are owned directly by Atlas Venture Opportunity Fund I, L.P. ("AVO I"). AVAO LP is the general partner of AVAO LLC is the general partner of AVAO LP. The Reporting Person is a member of AVAO LLC and disclaims Section 16 beneficial ownership of the securities held by AVO I, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, if any.

Remarks:

/s/ Kevin Bitterman

<u>10/14/2020</u> Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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