FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Cheng Andrew						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Akero Therapeutics, Inc. [ AKRO ]  5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) (Check all applicable)											son(s) to Iss	uer		
<u>Cheng</u>	Anurew					[								X	Director			10% Owner		
(Last)	`	*	(Middle)	)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2023								X	below) below)			specify		
C/O AK	KERO THERAPEUTICS, INC.					President and CEO														
601 GATEWAY BOULEVARD, SUITE 350				4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
(Street)														X Form filed by One Reporting Person						
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					R	Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication														
(City)	(\$	itate)	(Zip)		_   ' `															
(City) (State) (Zip)				X	Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.															
		Tab	le I - I	Non-Deri	ivativ	e Sec	curit	ies Ad	cquire	ed, D	isposed o	f, or B	enefic	ially	Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transactio Date (Month/Day)				Execution Da		Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and			5)		es ally Following	Form (D) or	n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	ction(s)			(Instr. 4)	
Common	Stock			09/01/2	2023				M <sup>(1)</sup>		25,000	A	\$6.3	36	487	7,680 D				
Common Stock 09/01/20			2023	23		S <sup>(1)</sup>		24,873	D	\$49.76	575 <sup>(2)</sup>	462,807			D					
Common	ommon Stock 09/01/20				2023	23 S <sup>(1)</sup>			S <sup>(1)</sup>		127	D	\$50.	24	462,680		D			
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)  2. Conversion of Exercise Price of Derivative Security  (Instr. 3)  3. Transaction Date Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)				ion Date,		Acquire (A) or Dispose		vative urities uired or oosed O) (Instr.	Expira	e Exer ation D h/Day/		and 7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	is lly	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er						
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$6.36	09/01/2023			M <sup>(1)</sup>			25,000	(3	3)	01/15/2029	Common Stock	25,0	00	\$0.00	65,000	)	D		

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The reported transactions were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan dated November 14, 2022, as amended on January 10, 2023, previously 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 \$49.19 to \$50.02, 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 footnote (2) to this Form 4.
- 3. The options are vested and currently exercisable.

/s/ Jonathan Young, Attorneyin-Fact

09/18/2023

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Data

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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