FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name ar	nd Address of atriona		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Akero Therapeutics, Inc. [AKRO]								5. Relationship of Report (Check all applicable) Director				son(s) to Iss						
(Last)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/13/2023									Officer (give title below) Chief Develop			Other (below) nt Officer	` ´						
C/O AKERO THERAPEUTICS, INC. 601 GATEWAY BOULEVARD, SUITE 350							4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
ı	GOUTH SAN CA 94080														X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)						Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication 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 - N	Non-Deriv	/ative	Sec	uriti	ies A	cauire	ed. D	isposed o	of. or B	eneficia	llv Ow	nec						
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye					ion	n 2A. Deemed Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or			r 5. Amo securi Benefi Owned		ınt of es ially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
										v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Tra		ed ction(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)		
Common	023	23			S ⁽¹⁾		617	D	\$50.34		46,010			D							
Common Stock 09/21/202							23		M ⁽²⁾		5,000	A	\$6.36		51	51,010		D			
Common Stock 09/21/202						23			S ⁽²⁾		2,800	D	\$47.8461(3)		48,210			D			
Common Stock 09/21/202						23			S ⁽²⁾		2,200	D	\$48.357	7(4)	46,010			D			
		T	able I								sposed of , converti			/ O wn	ed						
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 (8)			6. Date Exer Expiration I (Month/Day/		ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Deriva Securi (Instr.	rative rity :	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Owner Form: Direct or Indi (I) (Ins	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares								
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$6.36	09/21/2023			M ⁽²⁾			5,000	(5	5)	01/15/2029	Common Stock	5,000	\$0		25,172	2	D			

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents the number of shares required to be sold by the reporting person to cover tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of restricted stock units. The Issuer has adopted a "sell-topolicy to satisfy the tax withholding obligations of the reporting person. The sales reported on this Form 4 represent the number of shares required to be sold by the reporting person to cover tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of restricted share units. Such sales were automatic and intended to qualify under Rule 10b5-1.
- 2. The reported transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan dated May 23, 2023, previously adopted by the Reporting Person.
- 3. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted-average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$47.18 to \$48.16, 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 footnotes (3) and (4) to this Form 4.
- 4. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted-average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$48.18 to \$48.57, inclusive.
- 5. The options are vested and currently exercisable.

/s/ Jonathan Young, Attorney-

09/25/2023

** 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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