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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* Graham G. Walmsley | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Akero Therapeutics, Inc. [AKRO] | | | | | | | | | | | k all app | ionship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer all applicable) Director 10% Owner | | | | |
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| C/O AKERO THERAPEUTICS, INC. 601 GATEWAY BOULEVARD, SUITE 350 | | | | 350 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | | ine) | -, | | | | | |
| (Street) SOUTH SAN | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | |
| FRANCISCO CA 94080 | | | | | Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (City) | (SI | tate) (Z | Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursua satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). Set | | | | | | | | | | | | | | truction or v | written p | plan that is | inter | nded to |
| | | Table | I - N | lon-Derivat | ive S | ecui | rities | Acc | quir | ed, D | Disp | osed c | of, or | Benefic | ially | y Owr | ned | | | | |
| | | | D | 2. Transaction Date Month/Day/Yea | Execution | | Date, | Co | Transaction Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a | | | | nd 5) Sec Ber Owr Foll | | ally | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | | | | Co | ode | v | Amo | ount | (A) or (D) | A) or D) Price | | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | 08/08/2023 | | | | | P | | 25 | 5,000 | A | \$42.059 | 600,000 | | ,000 | 00 I | | See Footnote ⁽²⁾ | |
| Common | Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2,1 | 168 | | D | | | | |
| | | Tab | ole II | - Derivativ (e.g., put | | | | | | | | | | | | Owne | ed | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | Exec if an | ıy É | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) S. Number Securi Acquir (A) or Dispos of (D) (Instr. and 5) | | rative rities ired r osed) | Exp (Mo | oiration onth/Da | n Date | | Amo Seci Und Deri Seci (Inst | Amount or Number of | nt er | | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted-average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$41.8634 to \$42.3525, 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 purchased at each separate price within the range set forth in footnote (1) to this Form 4.
- 2. The shares are held by Logos Global Master Fund LP ("Logos Master Fund"). Logos GP LLC ("Logos GP") is the general partner of Logos Master Fund and the Reporting Person is a managing member of Logos GP. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

/s/ Jonathan Young, Attorney-

** 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).
- ** 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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