| SEC Form 4 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| FORM 4 |) STA | STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMM Washington, D.C. 20549 | | | | | | | | |] | | |
| | | | Washington, D.C. 20049 | | | | | | | | OMB APPROVAL | | |
| Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See | | | AT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNE d pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 | | | | | | - | | OMB Number: 3235-0287 Estimated average burden hours per response: 0.5 | | |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] <u>Yale Catriona</u> | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Akero Therapeutics, Inc.</u> [AKRO] | | | | | | | all applicable) Director | , 10% Owner | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O AKERO THERAPEUTICS, INC. | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/08/2023 | | | | | | X | X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Other Specify below) Chief Development Officer | | | |
| 601 GATEWAY BOULEVARD, SUITE 350 | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | Line) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | |
| (Street) SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO CA 94080 | | | | | | | | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |
| | | | Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication | | | | | | | | | | |
| (City) (State) | (Zip) | | 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. | | | | | | | | d to satisfy | | |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Date | | 2. Transa Date (Month/D | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | (A) or 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 | | 12/08/ | /2023 | | A | | 32,497(1) | Α | \$ <mark>0</mark> | 78,507 | D | | |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

\$19.87

2. Conversion

or Exercise Price of

Derivative

Security

1. Title of

Derivative

Security (Instr. 3)

Stock Option (Right to

Buy)

1. These shares are represented by restricted stock units (the "RSUs"). Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock of the Issuer. The RSUs will vest in eight (8) equal semi-annual installments, commencing from December 8, 2023, subject to the Reporting Person's continuous service with the Issuer as of each such vesting date.

Date Exercisable

(2)

(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

6. Date Exercisable and

Expiration Date

12/07/2033

Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)

5. Number of

Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(D)

Derivative Securities

(A)

146.237

4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)

v

Code

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2. This option shall vest and become exercisable in forty-eight (48) equal monthly installments, commencing from December 8, 2023, subject to the Reporting Person's continuous service with the Issuer as of each such vesting date.

| /s/ Jonathan Young, Attorney- | 10/10/2022 |
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| in-Fact | 12/12/2023 |

9. Number of

derivative Securities Beneficially

Following Reported Transaction(s)

146.237

Owned

(Instr. 4)

10.

Ownership

Form: Direct (D)

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

D

11. Nature

of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4)

8. Price of

Derivative

Security (Instr. 5)

\$0

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

7. Title and Amount

of Securities Underlying Derivative Security

Amount

or Number

of Shares

146,237

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Title

Commo

Stock

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

3A. Deemed

Execution Date

if any (Month/Day/Year)

 * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

3. Transaction Date

(Month/Day/Year)

12/08/2023

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