SEC Form 4

**FORM 4**

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person[*] | 2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) |
|---|---|---|
| Rolph Timothy | Akero Therapeutics, Inc. [ AKRO ] | |

| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) |
|---|---|---|---|
| 601 GATEWAY BOULEVARD | | | 06/11/2024 |
| SUITE 350 | | | |

**Relationship:**

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|---|---|---|---|
| | Director | | 10% Owner |
| ✓ | Officer (give title below) | | Other (specify below) |

**Chief Scientific Officer**

| (Street) | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) |
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| SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO | CA | 94080 | | ✓ Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |

**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.

## 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 06/11/2024 | | S[(1)] | | 2,380 | D | $22.641[(2)] | 180,178 | D | |

## Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
### (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 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) |
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| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |

**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-to-cover" policy to satisfy the tax withholding obligations of the Reporting Person. Such sales were automatic and not at the discretion of 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 $22.640 to $22.760, 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 this footnote.

| /s/ Jonathan Young, Attorney-in-Fact | 06/13/2024 |
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| ** 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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