FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Apple Tree Partners IV, L.P.</u>						or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Akero Therapeutics, Inc. [AKRO]										all app		Ü	(10% C	wner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O AKERO THERAPEUTICS, INC., 601 GATEWAY BOULEVARD, SUITE 350						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/10/2020										Office	er (give title		Other (below)	(specify
(Street) SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO CA 94080				4. If .	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person X Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
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Common Stock 07/10/2									P		415,000) ⁽¹⁾ A		\$3	6	5,830,203			D ⁽²⁾	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversio or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		if any	emed ion Date, /Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y		ite	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ins 3 and 4)		f g			9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	y Ov Fo Dii or (I)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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1. Name a	nd Address I <u>GP, Lt</u>	of Reporting Person		<i>,</i>		_														

Explanation of Responses:

(First) C/O AKERO THERAPEUTICS, INC., 601 GATEWAY BOULEVARD, SUITE 350

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(State)

(Last)

(Street) **SOUTH SAN**

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FRANCISCO

1. On July 10, 2020, Apple Tree Partners, IV, L.P. ("ATP") purchased 415,000 shares of common stock of the Issuer at a price of \$36.00 per share pursuant to an underwritten public offering.

(Middle)

94080

(Zip)

2. These shares are owned directly by ATP. ATP III GP, Ltd. ("ATP GP") is the sole general partner of ATP. Seth L. Harrison is a director on the Issuer's board of directors and is the sole director of ATP GP. ATP GP disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares listed, except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein.

/s/ Jonathan Young, as attorney-in-fact

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

07/14/2020

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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