FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Young Jonathan						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Akero Therapeutics, Inc. [ AKRO ]								5. Relationship of Repor (Check all applicable) Director X Officer (give titl below)			ting Person(s) to Issu	
(Last) (First) (Middle)						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2024											belo	•
C/O AKERO THERAPEUTICS, INC. 601 GATEWAY BOULEVARD, SUITE 350					4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)										Applicable		
(Street)		CA 94080			-									X Form f	rson eporting			
FRANCI	ISCO					Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication												
(City)	(S	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.												
		Tab	le I - N	on-Deriv	vativ	e Sec	urit	ies Ac	quire	d, Di	sposed o	of, or Be	neficial	y Owned				
Date			2. Transac Date (Month/Da		Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
										v	Amount	(A) or (D) Price		Transactio (Instr. 3 an				(111501.4)
Common	Common Stock 03/			03/01/	2024				М		83,321	A	\$0.615	268,95	,957(1)		)	
Common Stock												20,00	,000		I	By EA Irrevocable Trust <sup>(2)</sup>		
Common Stock													20,000		I		By CM Irrevocable Trust <sup>(2)</sup>	
Common Stock												20,000		I		By JL Irrevocable Trust <sup>(2)</sup>		
		-	Table II								posed of converti			Owned		,		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	rivative Conversion Date Execution Date, Tra			Transa Code (	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 Amour of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Num derivat Securit Benefic Owned Followi Report Transa (Instr. 4	tive ties Country Coun		Beneficia Ownersh ect (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option (Right to	\$0.615	03/01/2024			М	1 83,321		(3)		10/17/2028	Common Stock	83,321	\$0.00	0		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Includes 505 shares acquired under the Akero Therapeutics, Inc. 2019 Employee Stock Purchase Plan on June 30, 2023.
- 2. These shares are held in irrevocable trusts for the benefit of the Reporting Person's children. The Reporting Person's spouse is trustee of the trusts. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and the filing of this report is not an admission that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- 3. The options are vested and currently exercisable.

/s/ Jonathan Young

03/05/2024

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

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

 $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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