FORM 4

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## 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*  White William Richard  (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O AKERO THERAPEUTICS, INC.  601 GATEWAY BOULEVARD, SUITE 350					3. D 09/	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Akero Therapeutics, Inc. [ AKRO ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2021  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer Check all applicable)     Director				
(Street) SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080													Line) X	)					
(City)	(Si	tate)	(Zip)																
		Tab	le I - Nor	n-Deriv	ative	Sec	curiti	ies Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	of, or B	enefi	cially	Owned	k			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transic Date (Month/L					Execution Date,			Code (	Transaction Disposed C Code (Instr. 5)			rities Acquired (A) or ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an			int of es ially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	PI	rice	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			
Common Stock 09/01					/2021	2021		М		8,559	8,559 A S		7.009	11	11,836		D		
Common Stock 09/01/					/2021	2021			S <sup>(1)</sup>		8,559	8,559 D \$		\$ <mark>24</mark> <sup>(2)</sup>	3,277			D	
		Т	able II -								osed of onverti				Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	1. Fransaction Code (Instr. 3)		n of E		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)			s. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	у	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisal:		xpiration ate	Title	Amo or Num of Sha	.					
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$7.009	09/01/2021			М			8,559	(3)	0	4/04/2029	Commor Stock	8,5	559	\$0	340,329	9	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Shares sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan dated June 2, 2021 previously adopted by the Reporting Person.
- 2. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions in prices ranging from \$23.65 to \$24.16, 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 footnote (2) to this Form 4.
- 3. 25% of this option vested on April 1, 2020, and the remaining 75% of this option shall vest in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter.

/s/ Jonathan Young, Attorney-09/03/2021 in-fact

\*\* 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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