## FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  KIRK RANDAL J					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Synthetic Biologics, Inc. [ SYN ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director X 10% Owner						
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O THIRD SECURITY, LLC 1881 GROVE AVENUE				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2019								Officer (give title Other (specify below)							
	OVETIVE	····			4. If	Amen	dment	, Date	of Origin	al File	ed (Month/Da	ay/Year)				r Joint/Gro	up Filin	g (Check	Applicable
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Da			Date	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a					Form:	Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) o	r Pri	ce	Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common	Stock			04/01/2	019				S		11,413 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$0	.67(1)	92,	159 <sup>(2)</sup>		I	by NRM VII Holdings <sup>(3)</sup>
Common	Stock			04/01/2	019				S		30,265(1)	D	\$0	.67(1)	244,	402(2)			by Intrexon <sup>(4)</sup>
Common	Stock			04/02/2	019				S		3,737(1)	D	\$0	.66 <sup>(1)</sup>	88,	422 <sup>(2)</sup>		I	by NRM VII Holdings <sup>(3)</sup>
Common	Stock			04/02/2	019				S		9,909(1)	D	\$0	.66 <sup>(1)</sup>	234,	493(2)			by Intrexon <sup>(4)</sup>
Common	Stock			04/03/2	019				S		26,080(1)	D	\$0	.65(1)	62,	342 <sup>(2)</sup>		I	by NRM VII Holdings <sup>(3)</sup>
Common	Stock			04/03/2	019				S		69,161(1)	D	\$0	.65 <sup>(1)</sup>	165,	332(2)			by Intrexon <sup>(4)</sup>
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	emed on Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)	action	5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) of Dispo	rative rities rired r osed )		Exercition D			8. De Se (Ir	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)  8. Price of derivative Securities Securities Owned		ily	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er					
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  KIRK RANDAL J																			
(Last)		(First)	(M	iddle)		-													

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O THIRD SECURITY, LLC

1881 GROVE AVENUE

(Street)

RADFORD VA 24141

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person\*

INTREXON CORP

(Last)	(First)	(Middle)					
C/O LEGAL DEPARTMENT							
20374 SENECA MEADOWS PARKWAY							
(0)							
(Street) GERMANTOWN	MD	20876					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)					

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Pursuant to a joint selling program, NRM VII Holdings I, LLC ("NRM VII Holdings") and Intrexon Corporation ("Intrexon") sold shares on a pro rata basis.
- 2. The indicated share amount is reflective of a 1:35 reverse stock split effected by the issuer on August 10, 2018.
- 3. Randal J. Kirk controls NRM VII Holdings. Shares held by this entity may be deemed to be indirectly beneficially owned (as defined under Rule 13d- 3 promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) by Mr. Kirk. Mr. Kirk disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares, except to the extent of any pecuniary interest therein.
- 4. Randal J. Kirk, directly and through certain affiliates, is the largest shareholder of Intrexon and serves as Intrexon's Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Kirk may therefore be deemed to have voting and dispositive power over the shares of the issuer owned by Intrexon. Shares held by Intrexon may be deemed to be indirectly beneficially owned (as defined under Rule 13d-3 promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) by Mr. Kirk. Mr. Kirk disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares, except to the extent of any pecuniary interest therein.

 /s/ Randal J. Kirk
 04/03/2019

 /s/ Randal J. Kirk, CEO of Intrexon Corporation
 04/03/2019

 \*\* Signature of Reporting Person
 Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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