FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* KIRK RANDAL J					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ZIOPHARM ONCOLOGY INC [ZIOP]									ionship all appli Directo	cable)	g Per	son(s) to Iss		
	(Fi RD SECUF OVE AVEI	RITY, LLC	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/31/2017									Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	specify	
(Street) RADFOI			24141 (Zip)		4. If	f Ame	endment,	Date	of Original I	Filed	(Month/D	ay/Year)		. Indivi ine) X	Form f	iled by One	e Rep	g (Check Ap orting Perso n One Repo	n
		Tab	le I - Nor	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	s Ac		Dis	posed (of, or Be	enefici	ally (Owned	l ———			
Date			2. Transa Date (Month/E		ar)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code (I	Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, Code (Instr. 5)			and Securiti Benefic		es Formially (D) (Following (I) (I		n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			4. Fransa Code (I		n of I		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares	r					
Series 1 Preferred Stock	(1)	05/31/2017			J		1,104		(1)		(1)	Common Stock	(1)		(2)	111,598 ⁽	(2)	I	by Intrexon ⁽³⁾

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*								
KIRK RANDAL J								
(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								
(Street)								
GERMANTOWN	MD	20876						
(City)	(State) (Zip)							

Explanation of Responses:

1. Each share of Series 1 Preferred Stock ("Preferred Stock") has a stated value of \$1,200, subject to appropriate adjustment in the event of any stock dividend, stock split, combination or other recapitalization with respect to the shares of Preferred Stock. The shares of Preferred Stock shall automatically convert into shares of the issuer's common stock upon the date of commercialization of a product pursuant to the collaboration between Intrexon Corporation ("Intrexon") and the issuer, subject to conversion limitations set forth in the Securities Issuance Agreement entered into between the issuer and Intrexon on June 29, 2016 (the "Issuance Agreement"). The conversion price in connection with such automatic conversion shall be determined as set forth in the Amended and Restated Certificate of Designation, Preferences and Rights of Series 1 Preferred Stock, which the issuer has filed as an exhibit to its Amendment to Current Report on Form 8-K/A, dated July 1, 2016.

2. Intrexon received the shares of Preferred Stock as payment-in-kind dividends in connection with its ownership of shares of Preferred Stock. The holders of Preferred Stock are entitled to receive a monthly

dividend payable in additional shares of Preferred Stock equal to \$12.00 per share of Preferred Stock per month (subject to adjustment), divided by the stated value of \$1,200, rounded down to the nearest whole share.

3. Randal J. Kirk, directly and through certain affiliates, has voting and dispositive power over a majority of the outstanding capital stock of Intrexon. 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
 06/01/2017

 /s/ Randal J. Kirk, CEO of Intrexon Corporation
 06/01/2017

 ** 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).
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