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*     Bowden Christopher					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ZIOPHARM ONCOLOGY INC [ ZIOP ]							Relationship of eck all applice X	cable) r	g Perso	10% Ow	ner	
(Last) ONE FIF	`	rst) JE, PARRIS BU	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/25/2019							Officer below)	(give title		Other (s <sub>i</sub> below)	pecify	
NAVY YARD PLAZA					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) BOSTON MA		02129									X Form fi	Form filed by One Repor Form filed by More than Person					
(City)	(Si	tate)	(Zip)														
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D					Execution Date			, Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ities Acquired (A) or d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		Beneficia	s ally ollowing	Form: (D) or	m: Direct or Indirect Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
								Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			instr. 4)	
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr 8)				6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/\)	ate	7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$4.26	10/25/2019		A		94,031		(1)	10/25/2029	Common Stock	94,031	\$0.00	94,031		D		

## Explanation of Responses:

1. 100% of the shares subject to the option vest on October 8, 2021, subject to Reporting Person's continuous service with the Issuer through such date.

## Remarks:

/s/ Robert Hadfield, Attorney-

10/29/2019

in-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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