FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * $\overline{KIRK\ RANDAL\ J}$							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ZIOPHARM ONCOLOGY INC [ZIOP]									of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer able) 10% Owner			
C/O THIRD SECURITY, LLC						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/29/2016									fficer elow)	(give title		Other (s	specify
1881 GROVE AVENUE (Street)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da						ar) E	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ties Acquir d Of (D) (Ins		4 and Securiti Benefic Owned		es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	,	Amount	(A) o (D)	r Price	Tra	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)
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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)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code (1 8)		of		6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Amount of		f g Security	Deriva Securi	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	y O F D oi (I)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Exp Dat	piration te	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Series 1 Preferred Stock	(1)	07/29/2016			J		1,033		(1)		(1)	Common Stock	(1)	(2)		101,033 ⁽	(2)	I	by Intrexon ⁽³⁾

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.

08/02/2016 /s/ Randal J. Kirk /s/ Randal J. Kirk, CEO of 08/02/2016 **Intrexon Corporation**

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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