FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* CANNON JAMES ANTHONY						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ZIOPHARM ONCOLOGY INC [ZIOP]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner						
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(Last) (First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/18/2007									below)	(give title		Other (s below)	specily		
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(Street)													X Form filed by One Reporting Person							
NEW YORK NY 10019													Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							
(City)	(9	State)	(Zip)																	
		Tak	ole I - Non	-Deriv	ative	e Se	curities	s Ac	quired, D	Disp	osed o	f, or Be	nefici	ally	Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans Date (Month)						2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)				5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s ally ollowing	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	ınt (A) or (D)		:e	Transacti	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock, \$.001 par value															0		D			
		-	Table II - I (uired, Di						Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day)	ate, T	I. Fransaction Code (Instr. 3)				6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year			of Securi Underlyii Derivativ	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		3. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				c	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amoul or Number of Shares	er						
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$4.31								(1)	13	2/22/2014	Common Stock, \$.001 par value	15,02	29		15,029)	D		
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$5.01								04/26/2006	0-	4/26/2016	Common Stock	15,00	00		15,000)	D		
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$6.49								(2)	1	2/13/2016	Common Stock	15,00	00		15,000)	D		
Director Stock Option (right to	\$4.85	06/18/2007			Α		15,000		(3)	0	6/18/2017	Common Stock	15,00	00	\$0	15,000)	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. 7,515 shares vest on 12/22/05 and 7,514 shares vest on 12/22/06.
- 2. 5,000 shares vest on each of 12/13/07, 12/13/08 and 12/13/09.
- 3. 5,000 shares vest on each of 6/18/08, 6/18/09 and 6/18/10.

/s/ James A. Cannon

06/19/2007

** 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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