LEWIS JONATHAN

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **LEWIS JONATHAN**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

ZIOPHARM ONCOLOGY INC

(Check all applicable)

CEO

below)

[ZIOP]

Symbol

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director X_ Officer (give title

below)

10% Owner Other (specify

1180 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, 19TH FLOOR

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

12/31/2010

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10036

| (City) | (State) | Zip) Table | e I - Non-D | erivative S | Securi | ties Acq | uired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficial | ly Owned |
|---|---|---|--|--|--------|--|--|---|-----------------|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | Pransaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Instr. 8) (A) or | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock, \$.001 par value | | | | | | | 450 | I | By Children (5) |
| Common Stock, \$.001 par value | 12/31/2010 | | F <u>(6)</u> | 21,475 | D | \$ 4.77 | 494,700 | D | |

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

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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) | orDe Se Ae Di | ecurities equired (isposed on tr. 3, 4, | (A) or of (D) | 6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y | e | 7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and | Securities |
|---|---|---|---|---|------------------------|---|---------------|---|--------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount of Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 0.08 | | | | | | | 01/08/2007 | 01/08/2014 | Common Stock | 25,674 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 0.08 | | | | | | | 01/27/2007 | 01/27/2014 | Common Stock | 242,979 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 4.31 | | | | | | | 01/27/2007 | 06/08/2015 | Common Stock | 87,789 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 4.31 | | | | | | | 01/27/2007 | 09/13/2015 | Common Stock | 54,161 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 5.01 | | | | | | | 04/26/2006 | 04/26/2016 | Common Stock | 139,31; |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 5.01 | | | | | | | 04/26/2006 | 04/26/2016 | Common Stock | 75,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 6.49 | | | | | | | <u>(1)</u> | 12/13/2016 | Common Stock | 30,000 |
| Stock Option | \$ 4.85 | | | | | | | (2) | 06/18/2017 | Common Stock | 35,000 |

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| (right to buy) | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|------------|---|---------|------------|------------|-----------------|---------|
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 2.73 | | | | <u>(3)</u> | 12/12/2017 | Common Stock | 100,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 0.7 | | | | <u>(4)</u> | 05/13/2019 | Common Stock | 100,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 2.85 | | | | <u>(7)</u> | 12/31/2019 | Common Stock | 150,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 4.77 | 12/31/2010 | D | 150,000 | (8) | 12/31/2020 | Common Stock | 150,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| 1 8 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| LEWIS JONATHAN | | | | | | |
| 1180 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, 19TH FLOOR | X | | CEO | | | |
| NEW YORK, NY 10036 | | | | | | |

Signatures

| /s/ Jonathan Lewis | 01/03/201 | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|--|--|
| **Signature of | Date | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) 10,000 shares vest on each of 12/13/07, 12/13/08 and 12/13/09.
- (2) 11,667 shares vest on each of 6/18/08 and 6/18/09; 11,666 shares vest on 6/18/10.
- (3) 33,334 shares vest on 12/12/08; 33,333 shares vest on each of 12/12/09 and 12/12/10.
- (4) 25,000 shares vest immediately, 25,000 shares vest on each of 8/13/2009, 11/13/2009 and 2/13/2010.
- (5) By the Reporting Person as custodian for his minor children under the Connecticut Uniform Gifts to Minors Act.
- (6) Disposition represents shares forfeited to satisfy withholding tax obligations upon the vesting of a restricted stock grant.
- (7) 50,000 shares vest on each of 12/31/2010, 12/31/2011 and 12/31/2012.
- (8) 50,000 shares vest on each of 12/31/2011, 12/31/2012 and 12/31/2013.

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