

ZIOPHARM ONCOLOGY INC
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Lafond Kevin G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ZIOPHARM ONCOLOGY INC
 [ZIOP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/30/2014

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Vice Pres., Treasurer, & CAO

C/O ZIOPHARM ONCOLOGY, INC., 1 FIRST AVE. PARRIS BLDG. #34, NAVY YARD

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BOSTON, MA 02129

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/30/2014		F	(A) or (D) D	Amount 4,690 (1) Price \$ 5.03	26,666	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)

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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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

Table with 9 columns: Code, V, (A), (D), Date Exercisable, Expiration Date, Title, Amount or Number of Shares. Row 1: Stock Option (right to buy), \$ 5.07, 12/31/2014, A, 75,000, (2), 12/30/2024, Common Stock, 75,000.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships Director 10% Owner Officer Other Lafond Kevin G C/O ZIOPHARM ONCOLOGY, INC. 1 FIRST AVE. PARRIS BLDG. #34, NAVY YARD BOSTON, MA 02129 Vice Pres., Treasurer, & CAO

Signatures

/s/ Jonathan Lewis, Attorney-In-Fact 01/02/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person 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) Represents shares withheld to satisfy withholding obligation upon the vesting of restricted stock grants. (2) 25,000 shares shall vest on 12/31/2015, 12/31/2016 and 12/31/2017.

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