GERON CORP Form 4 February 12, 2014

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **GRETHLEIN ANDREW J**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

GERON CORP [GERN] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

10% Owner

C/O GERON CORPORATION, 149 COMMONWEALTH DRIVE.

(State)

SUITE 2070

(City)

02/10/2014

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title below)

Other (specify below)

EVP, Technical Operations

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

(Street)

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

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

Director

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

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MENLO PARK, CA 94025

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned **Following** (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Stock

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

By Geron 401(k)

Plan

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 orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.01	02/10/2014		A	400,000		(2)	02/10/2024	Common Stock	400,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GRETHLEIN ANDREW J C/O GERON CORPORATION 149 COMMONWEALTH DRIVE, SUITE 2070 MENLO PARK, CA 94025

EVP, Technical Operations

Signatures

/s/ Olivia Bloom for Andrew Grethlein 02/12/2014

**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) Represent shares held under Geron 401(k) Plan. In February 2014, the reporting person acquired 2,267 shares of Geron common stock under the Geron 401(k) Plan.
- (2) This option vests in a series of 48 consecutive equal monthly installments commencing February 10, 2014, provided the optionee continues to provide services to the Company.

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