Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Form 3 June 24, 2014

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

Common Stock

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Luo Mary Z.	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [AMPH]				
(Last) (First) (Middle)	06/24/2014	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 11570 6TH STREET (Street)		(Check all applicable) X DirectorX 10% Owne X Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) COO, Chief Scientist, COB		Owner 	 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person 	
RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730						
(City) (State) (Zip)	Table I - N	Non-Derivativ	ve Securiti	es Ben	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Beneficially (Instr. 4)	Owned C F C o o	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Natu Owner (Instr. :	•	
Common Stock	547,823		D	Â		
Common Stock	68,973 <u>(1)</u>		D	Â		

7,631,594

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(5)	08/02/2014	Common Stock	185,000	\$ 22.29	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(5)	09/28/2015	Common Stock	185,000	\$ 12.97	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(6)	10/03/2016	Common Stock	181,768	\$ 16.75	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(7)	07/13/2017	Common Stock	264,895	\$ 11.51	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(8)	09/28/2017	Common Stock	138,632	\$ 11.53	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(9)	07/05/2018	Common Stock	746,181	\$ 12.02	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(10)	03/27/2019	Common Stock	224,737	\$ 15.84	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships				
	Director	virector 10% Owner Officer		Other		
Luo Mary Z. C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 11570 6TH STREET RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730	ÂX	ÂX	COO, Chief Scientist, COB	Â		

Signatures

/s/Mary Z. Luo, by Power of Attorney 06/24/2014

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

Date

This represents deferred stock units that were granted on 3/27/2014 and vest over 4 years in equal annual installments commencing on
 the first anniversary of the grant date, subject to the reporting person's continued employment with or service to the Issuer or subsidiary thereof through the applicable vesting date.

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The reporting person and Dr. Jack Y. Zhang ("Dr. Zhang"), the Chief Executive Officer and a director of the Issuer, are the sole owners of Applied Physics & Chemistry Laboratories, Inc. The reporting person and Dr. Zhang have shared voting and investment power over these shares.

Shares held in an account for the benefit of the reporting person's son, Bill Luobei Zhang, who shares the reporting person's household. As such, the reporting person may be deemed to have indirect beneficial ownership of these shares. The reporting person disclaims

(3) As such, the reporting person may be deemed to have induced beneficial ownership of these shares, and the inclusion of these shares in this report should not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of any such shares for purposes of Section 16, or for any other purpose.

(4) Shares held by a trust for the benefit of the reporting person's son, Bill Luobei Zhang, who shares the reporting person's household. As such, the reporting person may be deemed to have indirect beneficial ownership of these shares. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, and the inclusion of these shares in this report should not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of any such shares for purposes of Section 16, or for any other purpose.

(5) This option is fully vested and exercisable.

This option was granted on 10/3/2011 and vests over 3 years in equal annual installments commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date, subject to the reporting person's continued (i) employment with or service to the Issuer or subsidiary thereof and (ii) service on the Board of Directors of the Issuer, in each case through the applicable vesting date.

This option was granted on 7/13/2012 and vests over 4 years in equal annual installments commencing on the first anniversary of the
 grant date, subject to the reporting person's continued (i) employment with or service to the Issuer or subsidiary thereof and (ii) service on the Board of Directors of the Issuer, in each case through the applicable vesting date.

This option was granted on 9/28/2012 and vests over 4 years in equal annual installments commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date, subject to the reporting person's continued (i) employment with or service to the Issuer or subsidiary thereof and (ii) service on the Board of Directors of the Issuer, in each case through the applicable vesting date.

This option was granted on 7/5/2013 and vests over 3 years in equal annual installments commencing on the first anniversary of the
 (9) grant date, subject to the reporting person's continued (i) employment with or service to the Issuer or subsidiary thereof and (ii) service on the Board of Directors of the Issuer, in each case through the applicable vesting date.

This option was granted on 3/27/2014 and vests over 3 years in equal annual installments commencing on the first anniversary of the
 (10) grant date, subject to the reporting person's continued (i) employment with or service to the Issuer or subsidiary thereof and (ii) service on the Board of Directors of the Issuer, in each case through the applicable vesting date.

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