

STEINMETZ MICHAEL  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**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 \*  
Clarus Lifesciences II, L.P.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AERIE PHARMACEUTICALS INC  
[AERI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
10/25/2013

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_X\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

C/O CLARUS VENTURES,  
LLC, 101 MAIN STREET, SUITE  
1210

(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  
\_X\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price   |
| Common Stock                    | 10/25/2013                           |  | C                              |   | 2,727,272   | A  | ①   |
| Common Stock                    | 10/25/2013                           |  | C                              |   | 420,222   | A  | ②   |
| Common Stock                    | 10/25/2013                           |  | C                              |   | 184,812   | A  | \$ 0.05   |
| Common Stock                    | 10/25/2013                           |  | P                              |   | 321,000   | A  | \$ 10   |

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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 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) | 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable Expiration Date                         | Title   | Amount  |
| Series B Convertible Preferred Stock       | <u>(1)</u>   | 10/25/2013                           |  | C                              | 2,727,272   | <u>(1)</u> <u>(1)</u>                                    | Common Stock  | 2,727,272   |
| Series B Warrants                          | \$ 0.05  | 10/25/2013                           |  | C                              | 184,812   | <u>(3)</u> 12/07/2019                                    | Common Stock  | 184,812   |
| Convertible Notes                          | <u>(2)</u>   | 10/25/2013                           |  | C                              | 420,222   | <u>(2)</u> <u>(2)</u>                                    | Common Stock  | 420,222   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Clarus Lifesciences II, L.P.<br>C/O CLARUS VENTURES, LLC<br>101 MAIN STREET, SUITE 1210<br>CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142 |               | X         |         |       |
| Clarus Ventures II GP, L.P.<br>C/O CLARUS VENTURES, LLC<br>101 MAIN STREET, SUITE 1210<br>CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142  |               | X         |         |       |
| Clarus Ventures II, LLC<br>C/O CLARUS VENTURES, LLC<br>101 MAIN STREET, SUITE 1210<br>CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142      |               | X         |         |       |
| GALAKATOS NICHOLAS<br>C/O CLARUS VENTURES, LLC<br>101 MAIN STREET, SUITE 1210<br>CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142           |               | X         |         |       |

HENNER DENNIS  
 C/O CLARUS VENTURES, LLC X X  
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LIPTAK ROBERT  
 C/O CLARUS VENTURES, LLC X  
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Simon Nicholas  
 C/O CLARUS VENTURES, LLC X  
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STEINMETZ MICHAEL  
 C/O CLARUS VENTURES, LLC X  
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WHEELER KURT  
 C/O CLARUS VENTURES, LLC X  
 101 MAIN STREET, SUITE 1210  
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## Signatures

/s/ Robert Liptak, Manager of Clarus Ventures II, LLC, general partner of Clarus Ventures II GP, L.P., general partner of Clarus Lifesciences II, L.P. 10/28/2013  
 \_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ Robert Liptak, Manager of Clarus Ventures II, LLC, general partner of Clarus Ventures II GP, L.P. 10/28/2013  
 \_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ Robert Liptak, Manager of Clarus Ventures II, LLC 10/28/2013  
 \_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ Robert Liptak, on behalf of Dennis Henner 10/28/2013  
 \_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ Robert Liptak, on behalf of Nicholas Galakatos 10/28/2013  
 \_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ Robert Liptak 10/28/2013  
 \_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ Robert Liptak, on behalf of Nicholas Simon 10/28/2013  
 \_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ Robert Liptak, on behalf of Michael Steinmetz

10/28/2013

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

/s/ Robert Liptak, on behalf of Kurt Wheeler

10/28/2013

\_\_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) The Series B Convertible Preferred Stock automatically converted into Common Stock on a 1 for 5 basis upon the closing of the Issuer's initial public offering without payment of further consideration and had no expiration date.
- (2) The Convertible Notes automatically converted into Common Stock on a 10 for 1 basis upon the closing of the Issuer's initial public offering without payment of further consideration and had no expiration date.
- (3) The warrants were immediately exercisable.  
  
Securities held of record by Clarus Lifesciences II, L.P. ("Clarus"). Clarus Ventures II GP, L.P. (the "GPLP"), as the sole general partner of Clarus, may be deemed to beneficially own certain of the shares held of record by Clarus. The GPLP disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares held of record by Clarus in which the GPLP does not have an actual pecuniary interest. Clarus Ventures II, LLC (the "GPLLC"), as the sole general partner of the GPLP, may be deemed to beneficially own certain of the shares held of record by Clarus.
- (4) Each of Messrs. Galakatos, Henner, Liptak, Simon, Steinmetz and Wheeler, as individual Managing Directors of the GPLLC, may be deemed to beneficially own certain of the shares held of record by Clarus. Each of the GPLLC and Messrs. Galakatos, Henner, Liptak, Simon, Steinmetz and Wheeler disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares held of record by Clarus in which it or he, as applicable, does not have an actual pecuniary interest.

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