

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Foresite Capital Management II, LLC</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) 600 MONTGOMERY STREET SUITE 4500  (Street) SAN FRANCISCO CA 94111  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AERIE PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ AERI ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner  Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/27/2020	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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	02/27/2020		S		302,776	D	\$17.07	1,369,938	I	See Footnote <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	02/27/2020		S		425,457	D	\$17.07	1,925,020	I	See Footnote <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	02/27/2020		S		271,767	D	\$17.07	1,229,633	I	See Footnote <sup>(3)</sup>

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

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**Explanation of Responses:**

- The shares are owned directly by Foresite Capital Fund II, L.P. ("FCF II"). Foresite Capital Management II, LLC ("FCM II"), the general partner of FCF II, may be deemed to have sole voting and dispositive power over these shares. James B. Tananbaum ("Mr. Tananbaum"), in his capacity as managing member of FCM II, may be deemed to have sole voting and dispositive power over these shares. Each Reporting Person disclaims the existence of a "group." Each of FCM II and its members and Mr. Tananbaum disclaims beneficial ownership of any of these shares except to the extent of any pecuniary interest therein, and the filing of this report is not an admission that FCM II and its members or Mr. Tananbaum is the beneficial owner of these shares for purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose.
- The shares are owned directly by Foresite Capital Fund III, L.P. ("FCF III"). Foresite Capital Management III, LLC ("FCM III"), the general partner of FCF III, may be deemed to have sole voting and dispositive power over these shares. James B. Tananbaum ("Mr. Tananbaum"), in his capacity as managing member of FCM III, may be deemed to have sole voting and dispositive power over these shares. Each Reporting Person disclaims the existence of a "group." Each of FCM III and its members and Mr. Tananbaum disclaims beneficial ownership of any of these shares except to the extent of any pecuniary interest therein, and the filing of this report is not an admission that FCM III and its members or Mr. Tananbaum is the beneficial owner of these shares for purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose.
- The shares are owned directly by Foresite Capital Fund IV, L.P. ("FCF IV"). Foresite Capital Management IV, LLC ("FCM IV"), the general partner of FCF IV, may be deemed to have sole voting and dispositive power over these shares. Mr. Tananbaum, in his capacity as managing member of FCM IV, may be deemed to have sole voting and dispositive power over these shares. Each Reporting Person

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**Remarks:**

The price realized by the Reporting Persons from the sales reported in Table I of this Form 4 is less than the price paid in any purchase transaction that is potentially matchable during the previous six months. Thus, no short-swing profit is recoverable for purposes of Section 16(b).

<u>FORESITE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT II, LLC, By: /s/ James B. Tananbaum, Managing Member</u>	<u>03/02/2020</u>
<u>FORESITE CAPITAL FUND II, L.P., By: Foresite Capital Management II, LLC, Its: General Partner, By: /s/ James B. Tananbaum, Managing Member</u>	<u>03/02/2020</u>
<u>FORESITE CAPITAL FUND III, L.P., By: Foresite Capital Management III, LLC, Its: General Partner, By: /s/ James B. Tananbaum, Managing Member</u>	<u>03/02/2020</u>
<u>FORESITE CAPITAL FUND IV, L.P., By: Foresite Capital Management IV, LLC, Its: General Partner, By: /s/ James B. Tananbaum, Managing Member</u>	<u>03/02/2020</u>
<u>FORESITE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT III, LLC, By: /s/ James B. Tananbaum, Managing Member</u>	<u>03/02/2020</u>
<u>FORESITE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT IV, LLC, By: /s/ James B. Tananbaum, Managing Member</u>	<u>03/02/2020</u>
<u>/s/ James B. Tananbaum</u>	<u>03/02/2020</u>
** Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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

\* 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).

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