

INOVIO PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Form 4

November 19, 2012

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MARXE AUSTIN W &  
GREENHOUSE DAVID M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O SPECIAL SITUATIONS  
FUNDS, 527 MADISON AVENUE,  
SUITE 2600

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
INOVIO PHARMACEUTICALS,  
INC. [INO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
11/15/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_X\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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                    | 11/15/2012                           |  | S                              |   | 500,000            | D \$ 0.4646 <u>(1)</u> | 6,703,005   | I  | By Limited Partnerships                               |
| Common Stock                    | 11/16/2012                           |  | S                              |   | 500,000 <u>(2)</u> | D \$ 0.4836 <u>(1)</u> | 6,203,005 <u>(2)</u>  | I <u>(2)</u>   | By Limited Partnerships <u>(2)</u>                    |

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction<br>(Instr. 10) |
|---|--|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|---|---|---|
|   |  |   |   | Code                                 | V (A) (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date  | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares  |

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MARXE AUSTIN W & GREENHOUSE DAVID M  
C/O SPECIAL SITUATIONS FUNDS  
527 MADISON AVENUE, SUITE 2600  
NEW YORK, NY 10022

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## Signatures

Austin W.  
Marxe 11/19/2012

\*\*Signature of  
Reporting Person Date

David M.  
Greenhouse 11/19/2012

\*\*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) This is a weighted average price.

(2) This is a joint filing by Austin W. Marxe (Marxe) and David M. Greenhouse (Greenhouse). They share voting and investment control over all securities owned by Special Situations Fund III QP, L.P. (SSFQP), Special Situations Cayman Fund, L.P. (Cayman), Special Situations Private Equity Fund, L.P. (PE) and Special Situations Life Sciences Fund, L.P. (LS). 3,564,167 shares of Common Stock are held by SSFQP, 1,141,370 shares of Common Stock are held by Cayman 849,309 shares of Common Stock are held by PE and 648,159 shares of Common Stock are held by LS. The interest of Marxe and Greenhouse in the shares of Common Stock owned by SSFQP,

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Cayman, PE and LS is limited to the extent of his pecuniary interest.

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