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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b). (Print or Type Responses)

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Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Shepard Jay

(First)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Esperion Therapeutics, Inc. [ESPR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

05/24/2018

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O ESPERION THERAPEUTICS. INC., 3891 RANCHERO DRIVE, **SUITE 150**

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > (Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Applicable Line)

Issuer

below)

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

ANN ARBOR, MI 48108

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

5. Number of Transaction Derivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of 8 Underlying Securities

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	-	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 37.69	05/24/2018		A	18,700		<u>(1)</u>	05/24/2028	Common Stock	18,700

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Shepard Jay C/O ESPERION THERAPEUTICS, INC. 3891 RANCHERO DRIVE, SUITE 150 ANN ARBOR, MI 48108	X					

Signatures

/s/ Richard B. Bartram, by power of attorney 05/29/2018

**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) Vests in equal monthly installments rounded down to the nearest whole share over the 36 months following May 24, 2018, with the balance of the options vesting on the last monthly vesting date which is the third anniversary of May 24, 2018.

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