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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

Shao Jiong

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

03/19/2018

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

C/O SORRENTO

THERAPEUTICS, INC., Â 4955

DIRECTORS PLACE

(Street)

Sorrento Therapeutics, Inc. [SRNE]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

Director

10% Owner

_X__ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

SAN DIEGO. CAÂ 92121

(City) (State)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

(Zip)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership

(I) (Instr. 5)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 5)

Form: Direct (D)

or Indirect

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**

Expiration

Date

(Month/Day/Year)

Exercisable

Date

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security**

(Instr. 4) Title

4. 5. Conversion

Price of

Ownership Form of or Exercise Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Amount or Number of

Security: Derivative Security Direct (D)

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Shares or Indirect

(I) (Instr. 5)

Stock Options $\hat{A} = \frac{(1)}{03/16/2028} = \frac{Common}{Stock} = 200,000 + 7.75$ D \hat{A}

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Shao Jiong

C/O SORRENTO THERAPEUTICS, INC. 4955 DIRECTORS PLACE SAN DIEGO, CAÂ 92121

Signatures

/s/ Jiong Shao 03/19/2018

**Signature of Person Date

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).

1/4th of the original number of shares subject to the option shall vest on March 16, 2019 and 1/48th of the original number of shares (1) subject to the option shall vest following each one month period of service after March 16, 2019, subject to the Reporting Person's continued service to the Issuer through each such vesting date.



Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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