

FORM 4

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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 * Celano Michael		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Recro Pharma, Inc. [REPH]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director _____ 10% Owner _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) _____ Chief Operating Officer	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O RECRO PHARMA, INC., 490 LAPP ROAD		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/18/2019			
(Street) MALVERN, PA 19355		4. If Amendment, Date 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	
(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	01/18/2019		A		12,672 (1)	A	\$ 0	39,445	D	
Common Stock	01/18/2019		M		6,400	A	(2)	45,845	D	
Common Stock	01/18/2019		F		1,782 (3)	D	\$ 7.99	44,063	D	

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 Securities (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 of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.99	01/18/2019		A		60,592	(4)	01/18/2029	Common Stock	60,592	\$ 0	60,592	D	
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	01/18/2019		M		6,400	(5)	(5)	Common Stock	6,400	\$ 0	12,800	D	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Celano Michael C/O RECRO PHARMA, INC. 490 LAPP ROAD MALVERN, PA 19355			Chief Operating Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Ryan D. Lake, as attorney-in-fact 01/22/2019
**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) All of the shares of common stock are represented by restricted stock units that will vest in four equal annual installments beginning January 18, 2020, subject to continued employment

with the Company. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person within 30 days following each respective vesting date.

(2) Restricted stock units convert into common stock on a one-for-one basis.

(3) Shares withheld by the Issuer to satisfy applicable withholding taxes upon vesting of restricted stock units..

(4) The stock option vests in equal monthly installments over 48 months, beginning on the date that is one month from the date of grant, subject to continued employment with the Company.

(5) On January 18, 2017, the reporting person was granted 25,600 restricted stock units, vesting in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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