

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
Liawatidewi Yakob _____ (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 11570 6TH STREET _____ (Street) RANCHO CA 91730 CUCAMONGA _____ (City) (State) (Zip)			Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [AMPH] _____]			Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) SVP Corp Admin Center		
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
			03/15/2019			X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					

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	03/15/2019		A		9,886 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$0	45,769	D	
Common Stock	03/15/2019		F		1,071 ⁽²⁾	D	\$20.23	44,698	D	
Common Stock	03/16/2019		F		1,233 ⁽²⁾	D	\$20.23	43,465	D	
Common Stock	03/17/2019		F		1,307 ⁽²⁾	D	\$20.23	42,158	D	
Common Stock								6,369	I	See footnote ⁽³⁾

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						Title
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$20.23	03/15/2019		A		21,991		(4)	03/15/2029	Common Stock	21,991	\$0	21,991	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- The reported shares are represented by restricted stock units, or RSUs, which vest in four equal annual installments beginning on March 15, 2020.
- The reported shares were withheld to satisfy the reporting person's tax liability in connection with the vesting of RSUs.
- The reported shares are held of record by the Yakob and Sunmoon Trust dated July 25, 2013 for which the reporting person serves as a trustee.
- Shares subject to the option vest in four equal annual installments beginning on March 15, 2020.

/s/ Eva Wen, by power of attorney 03/19/2019

** 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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