

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 * Zhang Jack Y. (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 11570 6TH STREET (Street) RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [AMPH]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) CEO & Chief Scientific Officer
3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) <p align="center">3/6/2023</p>		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)		

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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	3/6/2023		A		81383 (1)	A	\$0.00	2185526	D	
Common Stock	3/6/2023		A		34301 (1)	A	\$0.00	1532820	I	See footnote (2)
Common Stock								6827679	I	See footnote (3)
Common Stock								5000	I	See footnote (4)

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. 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		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 of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$35.13	3/6/2023		A		171488		(5)	3/6/2033	Common Stock	171488	\$0	171488	D	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$35.13	3/6/2023		A		72278		(5)	3/6/2033	Common Stock	72278	\$0	72278	I	See footnote (2)

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) The reported shares are represented by restricted stock units, or RSUs, which vest in four equal annual installments beginning on March 6, 2024.
- (2) The securities are held of record by Mary Z. Luo. The reporting persons are husband and wife.
- (3) The shares are held of record by Applied Physics & Chemistry Laboratories, Inc., of which the reporting persons and The Bill Luobei Zhang 2004 Irrevocable Trust are the sole owners.
- (4) The shares are held of record in an account for the benefit of the reporting persons' son. The reporting persons disclaim beneficial ownership of these shares, and the inclusion of these shares in this report should not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of any such shares for purposes of Section 16, or for any other purpose.
- (5) The shares subject to the option vest in four equal annual installments beginning on March 6, 2024.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Zhang Jack Y.				

