

# FORM 4

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|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *                            |  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol       |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)                         |  |
| <b>Maris David</b>   |  | <b>Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [ AMPH ]</b>   |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner                    |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)  |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)      |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) |  |
| <b>C/O AMPHASTAR<br/>PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 11570<br/>6TH STREET</b> |  | <b>6/7/2021</b>                                   |  |  |  |
| (Street)   |  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY) |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  |  |
| <b>RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730</b>                                    |  |   |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person                             |  |
| (City) (State) (Zip)   |  |   |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person                              |  |

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

| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Trans. Date | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution<br>Date, if any | 3. Trans. Code<br>(Instr. 8) |   | 4. Securities Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |               |        | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned<br>Following Reported Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr.<br>4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|------------------------------------|----------------|---|------------------------------|---|---|---------------|--------|---|---|---|
|                                    |                |   | Code                         | V | Amount  | (A) or<br>(D) | Price  |   |   |   |
| Common Stock                       | 6/7/2021       |   | A                            |   | 6019  | A             | \$0.00 | 19170   | D   |   |

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

| 1. Title of Derivate<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Trans.<br>Date | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution<br>Date, if any | 4. Trans. Code<br>(Instr. 8) |   | 5. Number of<br>Derivative Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date |                    | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Securities Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                                  | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership<br>Form of<br>Derivative<br>Security:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr.<br>4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|--|--|-------------------|---|------------------------------|---|--|--|--------------------|--|----------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
|  |  |                   |   | Code                         | V |  | Date<br>Exercisable                        | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares |   |  |   |  |
| Stock Option<br>(right to buy)                 | \$19.52  | 6/7/2021          |   | A                            |   | 17182  | (2)  | 6/7/2029           | Common<br>Stock  | 17182                            | \$0   | 17182  | D   |  |

#### Explanation of Responses:

- (1) The reported shares are represented by restricted stock units, or RSUs, all of which vest on June 7, 2022.  
(2) All of the shares subject to the option vest on June 7, 2022.

#### Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| <b>Maris David</b><br><b>C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.</b><br><b>11570 6TH STREET</b><br><b>RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730</b> | X             |           |         |       |

#### Signatures

/s/ Eva Wen, by power of attorney

6/8/2021

\*\*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).

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