FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| (Last) C/O LA | 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* CARVER JENNIFER (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O LA JOLLA PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY, 4550 TOWNE CENTRE COURT | | | | | | | Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LA JOLLA PHARMACEUTICAL CO [LJPC] Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2018 | | | | | | | | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer theck all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Operating Officer | | | |
|--|---|------------|------------------------|-----------|---|--|--|--|--|------|-----------------|---|------|--|---|---|--|------------|--|
| (Street) SAN DIE | EGO C. | A 9 | 92121 Zip) | | 4. IT A | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | Lin | e) X Form Form | al or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable orm filed by One Reporting Person orm filed by More than One Reporting erson | | | |
| | | Tab | le I - N | Non-Deriv | ative \$ | Sec | uritie | es Ac | quired, | Dis | posed | of, or | Bene | ficia | lly Own | ed | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/) | | | | | //Year) | Exec | Deemed cution Date, y nth/Day/Year) | | Transaction Dispo | | | urities Acquired (A sed Of (D) (Instr. 3 | | | nd Secu | ficially d | 6. Ownersh Form: Dire (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amoun | nt (A) or (D) | | Price | Repo Trans | | (mstr. 4) | (instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock 12/31/20 | | | | | | | 18 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | | 148 | | 4 (| \$8.01 | 55 | 5 7,116 | | | |
| 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 | | Execution Date, if any | | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | n Number | | 6. Date Exe Expiration (Month/Da | Date | Amount of | | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership ect (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisabl | | piration ate | o N o | | ount mber ares | | | | | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$9.43 | 12/31/2018 | | | A | | 148 | | (2) | 12 | 2/31/2028 | Commo Stock | n 1- | 48 | \$0 | 148 | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. These shares were acquired on 12/31/2018 through the La Jolla Pharmaceutical Company 2018 Employee Stock Purchase Plan in a transaction that was exempt under both Rule 16b-3(d) and Rule 16b-3(c).
- 2. The stock option vests and becomes exercisable with respect to 25% of the underlying shares on the one-year anniversary of grant date and then vests and becomes exercisable ratably on a monthly basis over the next three years.

Remarks:

/s/ Ryan Murr, as attorney-infact for Jennifer A. Carver 01/03/2019

** 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).
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