

WEISER MICHAEL

Form 4

April 27, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WEISER MICHAEL

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ZIOPHARM ONCOLOGY INC
[ZIOP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
787 SEVENTH AVENUE, 48TH
FLOOR

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
04/26/2006

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

NEW YORK, NY 10019

(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. 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)
				(A) or (D)			
				Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock, \$.001 par value					83,445	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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Warrants to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 4.75					09/13/2005 05/31/2012	Common Stock, \$.001 par value 35,566
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.31					(1) 12/22/2014	Common Stock, \$.001 par value 15,029
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.01	04/26/2006		A	15,000	04/26/2006 04/26/2016	Common Stock 15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
WEISER MICHAEL 787 SEVENTH AVENUE, 48TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019	X

Signatures

/s/ Michael Weiser
 04/26/2006
 **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) 7,515 shares vest on 7/20/06 and 7,514 shares vest on 7/20/07.

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