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FORM 4

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

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **Zhou Rong**

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

(Check all applicable)

[AMPH]

(Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

EVP, Production Center

(Month/Day/Year)

02/05/2019

below)

C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS,

INC., 11570 6TH STREET

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Secur on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	4 and (A) or	ed of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	02/05/2019		M	3,200	A	\$ 20.26	56,319	D	
Common Stock	02/05/2019		S <u>(1)</u>	4,289	D	\$ 23	52,030	D	
Common Stock							99,668	I	See footnote (2)
Common Stock							5,000	I	See footnote

(3)

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on 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
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.26	02/05/2019		М	3,200	<u>(4)</u>	08/05/2019	Common Stock	3,200

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

02/07/2019

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Zhou Rong

C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 11570 6TH STREET

RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

EVP, Production Center

Signatures

/s/ Eva Wen, by power of attorney

**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) The sale reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on June 15, 2018.

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- (2) The shares are held of record by the Zhou Family Trust for which the reporting person serves as a trustee.
- (3) The shares are held of record by the reporting person's spouse.
- (4) Shares subject to the option are fully vested and immediately exercisable.

Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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