FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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*  Gelder Mark S. MD					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AP PHARMA INC /DE/ [ APPA ]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title Other (specify					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 123 SAGINAW DRIVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2014							X Officer (give title Officer Steely below)  SVP & Chief Medical Officer					
(Street) REDWO CITY	REDWOOD CA 94063		94063		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						- 1	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(S	State)	(Zip)														
		Т	able I - Non-D	eriva	tive S	ecurities	s Ac	quired, D	isposed (	of, or Be	neficially	Owned					
Date				. Transaction Date Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Yea		Code (Instr.				and 5) Securities Beneficiall Owned Fol		Form:	n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code V	Amount	(A) (D)	Price	Reported Transactio (Instr. 3 an	n(s) d 4)			(Instr. 4)	
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		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 Exerc Expiration Day/\(\text{Month/Day/\}\)	ate	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		10. Ownership Form: 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		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)				
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$0.45	01/03/2014		A		1,600,000		(1)	01/03/2024	Common Stock	1,600,000	\$0	1,600,	000	D		

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Options will vest monthly over a four year period.

#### Remarks:

/s/ Stephen Davis as attorney-in-01/07/2014 fact for Mark S. Gelder

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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