

GERON CORP
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FORM 4

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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 *
GRETHLEIN ANDREW J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O GERON CORPORATION, 149
COMMONWEALTH DRIVE,
SUITE 2070

(Street)

MENLO PARK, CA 94025

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GERON CORP [GERN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/10/2014

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
EVP, Technical Operations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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. Transaction 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 2,267 ⁽¹⁾ | I | By Geron 401(k) Plan |

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)

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| 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 | 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 Number Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 5.01 | 02/10/2014 | | A | 400,000 | <u>(2)</u> | 02/10/2024 | Common Stock | 400,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| GRETHLEIN ANDREW J C/O GERON CORPORATION 149 COMMONWEALTH DRIVE, SUITE 2070 MENLO PARK, CA 94025 | | | EVP, Technical Operations | |

Signatures

/s/ Olivia Bloom for Andrew Grethlein 02/12/2014

**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) Represent shares held under Geron 401(k) Plan. In February 2014, the reporting person acquired 2,267 shares of Geron common stock under the Geron 401(k) Plan.
- (2) This option vests in a series of 48 consecutive equal monthly installments commencing February 10, 2014, provided the optionee continues to provide services to the Company.

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