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 [*] Matsuoka Grove						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>aTYR PHARMA INC</u> [LIFE]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last)	(Last) (First) (Middle)				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/13/2016									х	Office	r (give title ')		Other (below)	
3545 JO	HN HOPKI	NS COURT, SU											See Remarks						
(Street) SAN DIEGO CA 92121					4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine) X Form filed by One Reporting Person				
(City)	(City) (State) (Zip)														Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) Date (Month/Day						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired Disposed Of (D) (Instr. and 5)				5. Amo Securit Benefic Owned	ties Fo cially (D) I Inc		rect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
								Code	v	Amoun	t (A) or P		rice	Report Transa	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		tr. 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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transact Code (In 8)	tion of			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		0 [] [] []	. Price If Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		piration Ite	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber					
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$3.06	09/13/2016			А		20,000		(1)	09	/13/2026	Common Stock	20,0	00	\$0.00	20,000		D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The shares subject to this option shall vest and become exercisable in 48 equal monthly installments beginning October 13, 2016, such that this option will be fully exercisable on September 13, 2020. This option is subject to accelerated vesting upon termination without cause upon change of control of the issuer.

Remarks:

Senior Vice President, Product Programs and Planning

Nancy D. Krueger, attorney-in- 09/15/2016

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** 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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