

**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

<b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*</b> <u>MENDLEIN JOHN</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O ATYR PHARMA, INC.</u> <u>3545 JOHN HOPKINS COURT, SUITE 250</u>  (Street) <u>SAN DIEGO CA 92121</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	<b>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b> <u>aTYR PHARMA INC [ LIFE ]</u>	<b>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</b> (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>CEO and Executive Chairman</u>
	<b>3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)</b> <u>05/12/2015</u>	
	<b>4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)</b>	

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	05/12/2015		C		24,055	A	(1)	245,971 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	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				
Series C Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock	(1)	05/12/2015		C			170,218	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	21,400 <sup>(2)</sup>	\$0.00	0	D	
Series D Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock	(1)	05/12/2015		C			21,122	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	2,655 <sup>(2)</sup>	\$0.00	0	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. The aggregate number of shares of Issuer's Preferred Stock held by the Reporting Person converted into Common Stock immediately prior to the closing of the Issuer's initial public offering and has no expiration date. These shares converted into Common Stock on a 1-for-7.95413 basis.
2. Reflects a 1-for-7.95413 stock conversion of the Issuer's Preferred Stock into Common Stock which became effective immediately prior to the closing of the Issuer's initial public offering.

**Remarks:**

/s/ Nancy Krueger, as  
 Attorney-in-Fact

05/14/2015

\*\* 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).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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