FORM 4

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

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

l	UIVID APPROVAL										
l	OMB Number:	3235-0287									
l	Estimated average burden										
l	hours per response:	0.5									

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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*  MENDLEIN JOHN					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>aTYR PHARMA INC</u> [ LIFE ]							(Ch	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 3545 JOHN HOPKINS COURT, SUITE 250					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/27/2016								X Officer (give title below)  CEO and Director					
(Street) SAN DIEGO CA 92121				4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable le)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D				ransaction e nth/Day/	Day/Year)  2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)  Continue Securities Acquired			3. Transacti Code (Ins 8) Code V	4. Se Dispositr. Amo	curitionsed of	(A) or (D)	d (A) or tr. 3, 4 and	5. Amour Securities Beneficia Owned F Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (I) Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		Direct Indirect Etr. 4)	. Nature of ndirect leneficial Dwnership Instr. 4)	
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Title of 2. 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed 4 Privative Conversion Date Execution Date, Curity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		4. Transa Code ( 8)	action	5. Number of 6		, options, converti  6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		d	7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expirati Date		Title	Number of Shares						
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$6.14	01/27/2016		A		135,000		(1)	01/27/20	026	Common Stock	135,000	\$0.00	135,000	0	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

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

## Remarks:

/s/ Nancy Krueger, as Power of **Attorney** 

01/29/2016

\*\* 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB Number.