ZIOPHARM ONCOLOGY INC

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

CANNON JAMES ANTHONY

Symbol ZIOPHARM ONCOLOGY INC

(Check all applicable)

[ZIOP]

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year) 12/13/2006

BBDO, 1285 AVENUE OF THE

(Street)

(State)

AMERICAS

(City)

(Instr. 3)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Indirect

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

NEW YORK, NY 10019

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Indirect (I) Owned (Instr. 4) **Following**

Reported Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

Common Stock,

\$.001 par value

0 D

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)

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 torDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercis Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yo	te	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.31					<u>(1)</u>	12/22/2014	Common Stock, \$.001 par value	15,029
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.01					04/26/2006	04/26/2016	Common Stock	15,000
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.49	12/13/2006		A	15,000	<u>(2)</u>	12/13/2016	Common Stock	15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
. F	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
CANNON JAMES ANTHONY BBDO 1285 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10019	X				
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Signatures

/s/ James A. Cannon	01/22/2007		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

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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) 7,515 shares vest on 12/22/05 and 7,514 shares vest on 12/22/06.
- (2) 5,000 shares vest on each of 12/13/07, 12/13/08 and 12/13/09.

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