

Hofstaetter Thomas
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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 *
Hofstaetter Thomas

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O GERON CORPORATION, 230
CONSTITUTION DRIVE

(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)

07/09/2010

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)

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

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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|-------------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V Amount or Price | | | |
| Common Stock <u>(1)</u> | 07/09/2010 | | A | | 9,000 <u>(1)</u> | A \$ 0 10,568 | D | |
| Common Stock <u>(2)</u> | 07/09/2010 | | A | | 9,000 <u>(2)</u> | A \$ 0 19,568 | D | |
| Common Stock <u>(3)</u> | 07/09/2010 | | A | | 9,000 <u>(3)</u> | A \$ 0 28,568 | D | |
| Common Stock <u>(4)</u> | 07/09/2010 | | A | | 18,000 <u>(4)</u> | A \$ 0 46,568 | 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 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Hofstaetter Thomas C/O GERON CORPORATION 230 CONSTITUTION DRIVE MENLO PARK, CA 94025 | | X | | |

Signatures

/s/ Olivia Bloom for Thomas Hofstaetter 07/13/2010

**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) The shares of restricted stock will remain subject to a reacquisition right of Geron over three years until the achievement of certain performance milestone criteria in connection with the Company's imetelstat program.
 - (2) The shares of restricted stock will remain subject to a reacquisition right of Geron over three years until the achievement of certain performance milestone criteria in connection with the Company's GRNOPC1 program.
 - (3) The shares of restricted stock will remain subject to a reacquisition right of Geron over three years until the achievement of certain performance milestone criteria in connection with the Company's strategic initiatives.
 - (4) The shares of restricted stock will remain subject to a reacquisition right of Geron over three years until the Company's common stock price exceeds certain thresholds.

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