SEC Form 3

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Tierney David S</u>	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 04/15/2015 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>KEMPHARM, INC</u> [KMPH]						
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O KEMPHARM, INC.			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Is (Check all applicable) X Director 10% C		(N	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	
2656 CROSSPARK ROAD, SUITE 100			Officer (give title below)	Other (spe below)		pplicable Line)	t/Group Filing (Check
(Street) CORALVILLE IA 52241							y One Reporting Person y More than One erson
(City) (State) (Zip)							
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned							
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownersh Form: Direc or Indirect (Instr. 5)	ct(D) (In:	1. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Instr. 5)	
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)							
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		I 3. Title and Amount of Sect Underlying Derivative Sect		4. Conversio or Exercis	se Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiratior Date	n Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	03/02/2025	5 Common Stock	7,333	8.63	D	
Explanation of Responses:							

1. Grant to the Reporting Person of a stock option under the Issuer's Incentive Stock Plan (the "Plan"). The shares underlying this option shall vest: (i) 666 shares upon the closing of an underwritten initial public offering of the Issuer's common stock with gross sale proceeds of at least \$5.0 million, (ii) 666 shares upon the Closing of a sale, or series of related sales, of the Issuer's securities, exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, with gross proceeds of at least \$5.0 million and (iii) the remaining shares vest in equal annual installments beginning on March 1, 2016 through March 1, 2018, provided that, if the Reporting Person is terminated without cause, then the vesting of the options will be accelerated with respect to 100% of the shares. The option expires ten years after the date of grant.

Remarks:

/s/ David S. Tierney

04/15/2015

** 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 5 (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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Know all by these presents that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Travis Mickle, Gordon Johnson, James C.T. Linfield and Matthew P. Dubofsky, signing individually, the undersigned's true and lawful attorneys-in fact and agents to:

(1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, an officer, director or holder of 10% of more of a registered class of securities of KemPharm, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") and the rules thereunder;

(2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned that may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute such Forms 3, 4 or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such forms or amendments with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and

(3) take any other action of any nature whatsoever in connection with the foregoing that, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the earliest to occur of (a) the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, (b) revocation by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact or (c) as to any attorney-in-fact individually, until such attorney-in-fact shall no longer be employed by the Company or Cooley LLP, as applicable.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 3rd day of March, 2015.

/s/ David S. Tierney David S. Tierney