FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Schafer Joshua					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KEMPHARM, INC [KMPH]							(Che	ck all application	,	erson(s) to Iss 10% Ov Other (s	vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O KEMPHARM, INC. 1180 CELEBRATION BOULEVARD, SUITE 103					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/09/2023							below)	έ EVP, Bus.	below)	`	
(Street) CELEBRATION FL 34747 (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						Line	dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date			2. Transac	action 2A. Deemed Execution Date,		Code V Amount (A) or B			ed (A) or etr. 3, 4 and 9	5. Amoun Securities Beneficia Owned Fo Reported Transacti	illy (D) (D) (I) (I) (I) (I) (I)	rm: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
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. Conversio or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Ye	Code	Transaction Code (Instr.		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)		Derivative Security	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	e V	(A)		Date Exercisable		piration te	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	7)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$4.54	01/09/2023		A		300,000		(1)	01/	/08/2033	Common Stock	300,000	\$0	300,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Grant to the Reporting Person of a stock option under the Issuer's 2023 Employment Inducement Award Plan (the "Plan"). 25% of the shares will vest on January 6, 2024 and the remaining 75% of the shares will vest in equal annual installments thereafter, provided that at the relevant vesting dates such optionee's employment relationship has not been terminated as defined in the Plan. All shares underlying the option will vest in full and become immediately exercisable upon a change of control of the Issuer or if the Reporting Person is terminated without cause or resigns for good reason. The option expires ten years after the date of grant.

> /s/ Timothy J. Sangiovanni, 01/11/2023 Attorney-in-Fact for Joshua Schafer

** 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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