

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
<u>SAXE JON S</u>	<u>DURECT CORP [DRRX]</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
<u>10260 BUBB ROAD</u>	<u>06/19/2017</u>	
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
<u>CUPERTINO CA 95014</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount (A) or (D) Price			

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares				
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$1.4	06/19/2017		A	55,000	06/18/2018 ⁽¹⁾ 06/19/2027	Common Stock 55,000	\$0.0	55,000	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$1.4	06/19/2017		A	16,038	09/19/2017 ⁽²⁾ 06/19/2027	Common Stock 16,038	\$1.06 ⁽³⁾	71,038	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. 100% of the total shares of this Grant Dated June 19, 2017 shall vest on the day before the first year anniversary of the Grant Date.
2. This Grant Dated June 19, 2017 will vest as follows: one-fourth (1/4) of the total shares subject to the option shall vest quarterly over one (1) year following the Grant Date.
3. This Option was issued to the reporting person in lieu of a cash retainer of \$17,000.

Jon S. Saxe 06/20/2017
** 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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