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| SYNERGY<br>Form 4<br>July 16, 201  | PHARMACEUT  | TICALS, I                                 | NC.   |  |  |  |   |   |   |  |
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| <b>FORN</b><br>Check the if no long subject to Section 1<br>Form 4 of Form 5<br>obligation may com <i>See</i> Instra 1(b). | FORM 4UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION<br>Washington, D.C. 20549Check this box<br>if no longer<br>subject to<br>Section 16.<br>Form 4 or<br>Form 5<br>obligations<br>may continue.<br>See InstructionFiled pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,<br>Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section<br>30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 |   |   |  |  |  |   | Simple       3235-028'         Number:       January 31         Expires:       2001         Estimated average       burden hours per         response       0.1 |   |  |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u><br>JACOB GARY S   |   |   | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading<br>Symbol<br>SYNERGY PHARMACEUTICALS<br>INC. [SGYP] |  |  | <ul><li>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</li><li>6, (Check all applicable)</li></ul> |   |   |   |  |
|  |   |   |   | of Earliest T<br>Day/Year)<br>2013               | ransaction   |  | X Director<br>X Officer (gi<br>below)<br>Chief  |   |   |  |
| NEW YOR  | (Street)<br>K, NY 10170   | Filed                                     |   |  | If Amendment, Date Original<br>led(Month/Day/Year) |  |   | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check<br>Applicable Line)<br>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person<br>Form filed by More than One Reporting<br>Person      |   |  |
| (City)   | (State)   | (Zip)                                     | Tab   | ole I - Non-l                                    | Derivative   | Securities A   | cquired, Disposed   | of, or Beneficia  | lly Owned   |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)   | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)   | 2A. Deem<br>Execution<br>any<br>(Month/Da | Date, if  | 3.<br>Transactio<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8)<br>Code V | Disposed<br>(Instr. 3, 4                           | (A) or<br>of (D)<br>4 and 5)<br>(A)<br>or  | Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned   | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4)  | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
| Reminder: Rep  | oort on a separate line   | e for each cl                             | ass of sec  | urities bene                                     | Perso<br>inform<br>requir                          | ons who res<br>nation cont<br>red to respo   | or indirectly.<br>spond to the colle<br>tained in this form<br>ond unless the fo<br>ntly valid OMB co | n are not<br>rm   | SEC 1474<br>(9-02)  |  |

 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

number.

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactio<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of<br>orDerivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A) o<br>Disposed of (D<br>(Instr. 3, 4, and<br>5) | Expiration E<br>(Month/Day | Expiration Date    |                 | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|---|--|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                 | (A) (D  | Date<br>Exercisable        | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares                                    |  |
| Stock<br>Options                                    | \$ 4.4  | 07/12/2013                              |   | А                                      | 100,000   | <u>(1)</u>                 | 07/12/2023         | Common<br>Stock | 100,000   |  |

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## **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Na  | Relationships |                         |         |       |  |  |
|---|---------------|-------------------------|---------|-------|--|--|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner               | Officer | Other |  |  |
| JACOB GARY S<br>C/O SYNERGY PHARMA<br>420 LEXINGTON AVENU<br>NEW YORK, NY 10170 | Х             | Chief Executive Officer |         |       |  |  |
| Signatures  |               |                         |         |       |  |  |
| /s/ Gary S. Jacob   | 07/16/2013    |                         |         |       |  |  |

<u>\*\*</u>Signature of Reporting Person

## **Explanation of Responses:**

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

Date

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) 33,333 of the stock options vest on each of 7/12/2014 and 2015 and 33,334 vest on 7/12/2016.

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