

SYNERGY PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
PAULSON & CO. INC.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SYNERGY PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. [SGYP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1251 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
09/16/2016

___ Director ___X___ 10% Owner
___ Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

NEW YORK, NY 10020

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common stock, par value of \$.0001 ⁽¹⁾	09/16/2016		S	1,973,713 D \$ 5.6113	25,782,955	I ⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾	By Managed Funds and Accounts
Common stock, par value of \$.0001 ⁽¹⁾	09/19/2016		S	1,500,000 D \$ 5.61	24,282,955	I ⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾	By Managed Funds and Accounts

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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 Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PAULSON & CO. INC. 1251 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10020		X		

Signatures

/s/ Stuart L. Merzer, General Counsel & Chief Compliance Officer
09/20/2016

__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) Paulson & Co. Inc. ("Paulson") is an investment advisor registered under the Investment Advisors Act of 1940. Paulson is the investment manager of investment funds (the "Funds") and certain separately managed accounts (the "Separately Managed Accounts"). John Paulson is the controlling person of Paulson. All securities reported on this Form 4 are owned by the Funds or held in the Separately Managed Accounts.
- (2) Each of Paulson and John Paulson may be deemed to indirectly beneficially own the securities directly owned by the Funds or held in the Separately Managed Accounts. Pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(4) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), the filing of this Form 4 shall not be deemed an admission by any person reporting on this Form 4 that such person, for purposes of Section 16 of the Act or otherwise, is the beneficial owner of any equity securities covered by this Form 4.

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