Nallicheri Melanie I Form 4 May 24, 2011

### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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5 Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Person

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1 Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

Nallicheri Melanie I	Symbol GERON CORP [GERN]	Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
C/O GERON CORPORATION, 230 CONSTITUTION DRIVE	(Month/Day/Year) 05/20/2011	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP Corp Dev			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			

### MENLO PARK, CA 94025

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock (1)	05/20/2011		A	10,000 (1)	A	\$ 0 (1)	25,000	D	
Common Stock (2)	05/20/2011		A	40,000 (2)	A	\$ 0 (2)	65,000	D	
Common Stock (3)	05/20/2011		A	60,000 (3)	A	\$ 0 (3)	125,000	D	
Common Stock (4)	05/20/2011		A	60,000 (4)	A	\$ 0 (4)	185,000	D	
Common Stock (5)	05/20/2011		A	5,000 (5)	A	\$ 0 (5)	190,000	D	

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Common Stock  $^{(6)}$  05/20/2011 A  $^{5,000}$  A  $^{\$\,0}$  195,000 D

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	/Year)	Under	lying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Own
	Security				Acquired						Follo
	•				(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or Number		
						Exercisable	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		
				Code v	(A) $(D)$				Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Nallicheri Melanie I

C/O GERON CORPORATION
230 CONSTITUTION DRIVE
MENLO PARK, CA 94025

### **Signatures**

/s/ Olivia Bloom for Melanie I. Nallicheri 05/24/2011

\*\*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) The shares of restricted stock will remain subject to a reacquisition right of Geron over three years until the achievement of certain performance milestone criteria in connection with the Company's imetelstat program.
- (2) The shares of restricted stock will remain subject to a reacquisition right of Geron over three years until the achievement of certain performance milestone criteria in connection with the Company's GRNOPC1 program.

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- (3) The shares of restricted stock will remain subject to a reacquisition right of Geron over three years until the achievement of certain performance milestone criteria in connection with the Company's strategic initiatives.
- (4) The shares of restricted stock will remain subject to a reacquisition right of Geron over three years until the Company's common stock price exceeds certain thresholds.
- (5) The shares of restricted stock will remain subject to a reacquisition right of Geron over 19 months until the achievement of certain performance milestone critiera in connection with the Company's GRN1005 program.
- The shares of restricted stock will remain subject to a reacquisition right of Geron over three years until the achievement of certain performance milestone critiera in connection with the Company's GRN1005 program.

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