

Horizon Pharma plc
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FORM 4

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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 *
Hoelscher Paul W.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O HORIZON PHARMA
PLC, CONNAUGHT HOUSE, 1ST
FL, 1 BURLINGTON RD

(Street)

DUBLIN, L2 4

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Horizon Pharma plc [HZNP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/23/2015

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
EVP, CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | |

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction | 5. Number of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount Underlying Security |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|---|---|
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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---|-------------------------|--------------------|---|------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount Number Shares |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 22.14 | 03/23/2015 | A | | 276,000 | | <u>(1)</u> | 03/22/2025 | Ordinary Shares | 276,000 |
| Restricted Stock Units | <u>(2)</u> | 03/23/2015 | A | | 124,000 | | <u>(3)</u> | <u>(2)</u> | Ordinary Shares | 124,000 |
| Performance Share Units (PSU) | <u>(4)</u> | 03/23/2015 | A | | 233,000 | | <u>(4)</u> | <u>(4)</u> | Ordinary Shares | 233,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Hoelscher Paul W. C/O HORIZON PHARMA PLC CONNAUGHT HOUSE, 1ST FL, 1 BURLINGTON RD DUBLIN, L2 4 | | | EVP, CFO | |

Signatures

/s/ Paul W.
Hoelscher

03/25/2015

**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) 25% of the shares subject to the option vest and become exercisable on the first anniversary of the date of grant, and the remaining shares vest in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one ordinary share of the Issuer.
- (3) The restricted stock units vest 25% annually on each anniversary of the date of grant.

Each PSU represents a contingent right to receive ordinary shares of the Issuer, based on the Issuer's level of total shareholder return, as measured on December 22, 2017, March 22, 2018 and June 22, 2018 or based on the level of total shareholder return through any earlier change in control. For such purposes, total shareholder return means the percentage change in the price of the Issuer's ordinary shares on a compounded annual basis, plus the value of reinvested dividends. The number of shares issued may range from zero (0) shares to the maximum number of shares reported in columns 7 and 9 of this report.

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