

Kelsey Stephen Michael
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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 *
 Kelsey Stephen Michael

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 GERON CORP [GERN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O GERON CORPORATION, 149 COMMONWEALTH DRIVE, SUITE 2070

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/12/2013

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 EVP, R&D, Chief Med Officer

(Street)
 MENLO PARK, CA 94025

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

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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock				(A) or (D)	32,524 ⁽¹⁾	I	By Geron 401(k) Plan

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)

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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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.51	02/12/2013		A	470,000	<u>(2)</u>	02/12/2023	Common Stock	470,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Kelsey Stephen Michael
C/O GERON CORPORATION
149 COMMONWEALTH DRIVE, SUITE 2070
MENLO PARK, CA 94025

EVP,
R&D, Chief
Med Officer

Signatures

/s/ Olivia Bloom for Stephen Kelsey 02/14/2013

**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) Amount includes 1,390 shares acquired under the Geron 401(k) plan since the change in the Geron 401(k) plan recordkeeper.
- (2) This option vests in a series of 48 consecutive equal monthly installments commencing February 12, 2013, provided the optionee continues to provide services to the Company.

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