FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Gelder Mark S. MD					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AP PHARMA INC /DE/ [APPA]									all applic Directo	able) r	g Pers	on(s) to Issu 10% Ow	ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 123 SAGINAW DRIVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/08/2013								X	below)	er (give title v) P & Chief Med		Other (s below) cal Officer		
(Street) REDWOOD CITY CA 94063				4. 11	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								5. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(Si	tate)	(Zip)																
		Tab	le I - Non-	-Deriv	ative	e Se	curities	AC	quired, D	isp	osed o	f, or Be	neficia	ally	Owned				
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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 D if any (Month/Day/	ate, T	4. Transa Code (I 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		of Securities		ies g Securit	Derivativ Security		9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e Or s Fo lly Di or (I)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Stock Option (right to buy)	\$0.75	02/08/2013			A		75,000		(1)	02/	/08/2023	Common Stock	75,00	0	\$0	75,000)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Grant vests monthly over a 4 year period and will fully vest on February 8, 2017.

Remarks:

/s/ John Whelan as attorney-in-02/12/2013 fact for Mark S. Gelder

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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