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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Shao Jiong

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Sorrento Therapeutics, Inc. [SRNE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O SORRENTO THERAPEUTICS, 04/19/2019 INC., 4955 DIRECTORS PLACE

(First)

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title below) below)

Chief Financial Officer

(Check all applicable)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year)

(State)

3. 4. Securities Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership Owned (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Derivative Disposed of (D) Security (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (D) Date Expiration Title (A) Amount or Exercisable Date Number of Shares Stock Common (1) 04/19/2029 200,000 \$ 3.78 04/19/2019 A 200,000 **Options** Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Shao Jiong

C/O SORRENTO THERAPEUTICS, INC. 4955 DIRECTORS PLACE

Chief Financial Officer

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

Signatures

/s/ Henry Ji, Ph.D., as Attorney-in-Fact 04/23/2019

**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).

1/4th of the original number of shares subject to the option shall vest on April 14, 2020 and 1/48th of the original number of shares (1) subject to the option shall vest following each one month period of service after April 14, 2020, subject to the Reporting Person's continued service to the Issuer through each such vesting date.

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