DURECT CORP

Form 4

September 30, 2013

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Shepard Jay

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(Middle)

DURECT CORP [DRRX] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

10260 BUBB ROAD

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

09/26/2013

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

Person

below)

CUPERTINO, CA 95014

(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Following Reported

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

or Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Ar 4 Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative **Expiration Date** Underlying Se Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3) Price of (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

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Derivative or Disposed of Security (D)

(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Title

Date

Non-Qualified

Stock Option (right to buy)

\$ 1.34 09/26/2013

A 70,000

09/26/2014(1) 09/26/2023

Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Shepard Jay 10260 BUBB ROAD

10260 BUBB ROAD X CUPERTINO, CA 95014

Signatures

Jay Shepard 09/29/2013

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) This option Grant Dated 09/26/2013 vests at the rate of 1/3 of the underlying securities on each 12-month anniversary of the Grant Date.

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