

KIES PETER  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**KIES PETER**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**INOVIO PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. [INO]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**03/05/2018**

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**CFO**

**C/O INOVIO PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 6769 MESA RIDGE ROAD**

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**SAN DIEGO, CA 92121**

(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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	03/05/2018		M	8,333 A \$ 55,381		D	
Common Stock	03/05/2018		F(2)	3,407 D \$ 4.29	51,974	D	
Common Stock					4,500	I	By Spouse

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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 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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	03/05/2018		M		8,333	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock
Common Stock Option	\$ 4.29	03/05/2018		A		126,500	03/05/2018 <sup>(3)</sup>	03/05/2028	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(4)</u>	03/05/2018		A		82,700	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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## Signatures

Peter Kies 03/07/2018

    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).

Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock. The vesting schedule for the 25,000

(1) restricted stock units was as follows: 8,334 shares vested on March 5, 2016; 8,333 shares vested on March 5, 2017; 8,333 shares vested on March 5, 2018. Vested units of restricted stock can be settled in shares of common stock, cash or a combination of both.

(2) The transaction reported represents the withholding of shares by the issuer to satisfy the reporting person's tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting and settlement of the restricted stock unit award reported in footnote (1) herein.

(3) The vesting schedule for the 126,500 options is as follows: 31,625 shares vested on March 5, 2018; 31,625 shares will vest on March 5, 2019; 31,625 shares will vest on March 5, 2020; 31,625 shares will vest on March 5, 2021.

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- Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock. The vesting schedule for the 82,700
- (4) restricted stock units is as follows: 27,567 shares will vest on March 5, 2019; 27,567 shares will vest on March 5, 2020; 27,566 shares will vest on March 5, 2021. Vested units of restricted stock can be settled in shares of common stock, cash or a combination of both.

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