

Spark Therapeutics, Inc.
Form SC TO-C
February 25, 2019

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO

**Tender Offer Statement Under Section 14(d)(1) or 13(e)(1) of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

SPARK THERAPEUTICS, INC.

(Name of Subject Company)

022019 MERGER SUBSIDIARY, INC.

(Offeror)

A Wholly Owned Subsidiary of

ROCHE HOLDINGS, INC.

(Parent of Offeror)

(Names of Filing Persons – Offeror)

Common Stock, Par Value \$0.001 Per Share

(Title of Class of Securities)

84652J103

(Cusip Number of Class of Securities)

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications on Behalf of Filing Persons)

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

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| 99.1 | Media Release issued by Roche Holdings, Inc. on February 25, 2019. |
| 99.2 | Key Messages and Q&A dated February 25, 2019. |