

AERIE PHARMACEUTICALS INC

Form 4

July 11, 2014

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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See Instruction  
1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Mehra Anand

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O SOFINNOVA  
VENTURES, 3000 SAND HILL  
ROAD, 4-250

(Street)

MENLO PARK, CA 94025

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
AERIE PHARMACEUTICALS INC  
[AERI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
07/09/2014

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	07/09/2014		S		1,000,000	D	\$ 24.0013	1,566,657	I	See footnote (1)
Common Stock	07/10/2014		S		8,022	D	\$ 25.8078	0	I	See footnote (2)

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 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Mehra Anand C/O SOFINNOVA VENTURES 3000 SAND HILL ROAD, 4-250 MENLO PARK, CA 94025		X		

## Signatures

/s/ Nathalie Auber, Attorney-in-Fact for Anand  
Mehra

07/11/2014

\*\*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).

The securities are owned directly by Sofinnova Venture Partners VII, L.P. ("SV VII"). Sofinnova Management VII, L.L.C. ("SV VII LLC"), the general partner of SV VII, James Healy, Michael Powell, and Eric Buatois, the managing members of SV VII LLC, and

(1) Anand Mehra, a director of the Issuer, may be deemed to have shared voting and dispositive power over the shares owned by SV VII. Such persons and entities disclaim beneficial ownership over the shares owned by SV VII except to the extent of any pecuniary interest therein.

The securities are owned directly by SV VII LLC, and James Healy, Michael Powell, and Eric Buatois, the managing members of SV VII LLC, and Anand Mehra, a director of the Issuer, may be deemed to have shared voting and dispositive power over the shares owned by SV VII LLC. Such persons and entities disclaim beneficial ownership over the shares owned by SV VII LLC except to the extent of any pecuniary interest therein.

(2)

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