

Litton Mark James
 Form 4
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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 *
 Litton Mark James

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ALDER BIOPHARMACEUTICALS INC [ALDR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 11804 NORTH CREEK PARKWAY SOUTH
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/13/2017

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Chief Business Officer

BOTHELL, WA 98011

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

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	11/13/2017		M		16,519 (1)	A	\$ 1.65 116,451 D
Common Stock	11/13/2017		S		16,519 (2)	D	\$ 10.8049 (3) 99,932 D
Common Stock						I	26,000 Held in trust for the benefit of Reporting Person's

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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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 1.65	11/13/2017		M	16,519	<u>(4)</u> 07/22/2018	Common Stock	16,519

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Litton Mark James
11804 NORTH CREEK PARKWAY SOUTH
BOTHHELL, WA 98011

Chief Business Officer

Signatures

/s/ Mark J.
Litton

11/15/2017

**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) The exercise of options reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on November 4, 2016.
- (2) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on November 4, 2016.

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$10.55 to \$11.20, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote 3 to this Form 4.
- (3)
- (4) The option is fully vested.

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