SYNERGY PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Middle)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

BRANCACCIO JOHN P

Symbol

SYNERGY PHARMACEUTICALS,

(Check all applicable)

INC. [SGYP]

06/10/2014

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O SYNERGY

PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 420 LEXINGTON AVENUE, SUITE

(Street)

1609

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

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

NEW YORK, NY 10170

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

any

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 4.24	06/10/2014		A	30,000	<u>(1)</u>	06/10/2024	Common Stock	30,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BRANCACCIO JOHN P C/O SYNERGY PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 420 LEXINGTON AVENUE, SUITE 1609 NEW YORK, NY 10170



Signatures

/s/ John

Brancaccio 06/12/2014

**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) 15,800 stock options vested on date of grant. 4,733 of the stock options vest on 6/10/2015 and 2016 and 4,734 vest on 6/10/2017.

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