## FORM 4

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name an													
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Rodgers Richard J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ocuphire Pharma, Inc. [OCUP]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) _X_ Director					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O OCUPHIRE PHARMA, INC., 37000 GRAND RIVER AVE, SUITE 120			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2021					Office	er (give title belo	ow)	Other (specify b	elow)	
(Street) FARMINGTON HILLS, MI 48335			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ 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 S (Instr. 3)	ecurity	I	2. Transaction Date Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year	(Instr. 8)	(A) (	curities Acq or Disposed of a. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or unt (D)	of (D)	D) Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		ollowing	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common	Stock	(	07/01/2021		A	2,84	0 A	<u>(1)</u>	29,061			D	
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#### **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships				
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Rodgers Richard J C/O OCUPHIRE PHARMA, INC. 37000 GRAND RIVER AVE, SUITE 120 FARMINGTON HILLS, MI 48335	X				

### **Signatures**

/s/ Emily J. Johns, by Power of Atto	rney	07/02/2021
**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 Reporting Person was granted common stock in lieu of cash for Q2 2021 Board services. The number of shares of Common Stock having an aggregate Fair Market Value equal to the aggregate amount of the Retainers for such fiscal quarter, determined by dividing (A) the aggregate amount of the Retainers by (B) the Fair Market Value of the Common Stock on last day of the fiscal quarter (rounded down to the nearest whole share). The Fair Market Value was \$5.28 per share, the closing price of the Company's stock on June 30, 2021.

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