FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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 and Address of Reporting Person*  Wenqing Yao  (Last) (First) (Middle)  1801 AUGUSTINE CUT-OFF  (Street)  WILMINGTON DE 19803					Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     INCYTE CORP [ INCY ]      Just of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)     01/23/2018      If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, Head of Discovery Chem  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State) (Zip)											Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  Table  1. Title of Derivative Conversion Security (Month/Day/Year)  Table  3. Transaction Date Execute (Month/Day/Year)			2. Transport of the control of the c	nsaction th/Day/Y	Secu , calls	2A. Deemed Execution Date, If any (Month/Day/Yea		3. Transacti Code (Ins 8) Code V	4. Securion Dispose 5)  Amount  posed of Convert cisable and ate	Amount (A) or Properties sed of, or Benefician vertible securities 7. Title and Amo of Securities		5. Amou Securitie Beneficia Owned Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	int of es For (D) Following d tion(s)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	3, 4 and		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	_	(Instr. 4)		
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$94.63	01/23/2018		A		12,128		(1)	01/22/2028	Common Stock	12,128	\$0.00	12,128	D	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$95.34	01/24/2018		A		21,167		(2)	01/23/2028	Common Stock	21,167	\$0.00	21,167	D	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Beginning January 23, 2018, options become exercisable in 37 installments, with the first 25.00% vesting on July 5, 2018 and the remainder vesting monthly over three years.
- $2. \ Beginning \ January \ 24, \ 2018, \ options \ become \ exercisable \ in \ full \ on \ January \ 24, \ 2022.$

## Remarks:

<u>/s/ Wenqing Yao</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

01/25/2018

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* 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).

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