

CERRONE GABRIEL
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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 *
CERRONE GABRIEL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SYNERGY PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. [SGYPD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/06/2011

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman

C/O SYNERGY PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 420 LEXINGTON AVENUE, SUITE 1609

(Street)

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

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 (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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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)

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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. 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. F. Derivative Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Units ⁽¹⁾	⁽²⁾	12/06/2011		P		60,323		⁽²⁾	⁽²⁾	Common Stock and Warrants	180,969 ⁽³⁾

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CERRONE GABRIEL C/O SYNERGY PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 420 LEXINGTON AVENUE, SUITE 1609 NEW YORK, NY 10170	X			Chairman

Signatures

/s/ Gabriele M. Cerrone 12/08/2011

 **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) Mr. Cerrone purchased 60,323 units of the issuer through Panetta Partners, Ltd. in a public offering at a purchase price of \$8.00 per unit. Each unit consists of two shares of common stock and one common stock purchase warrant. Mr. Cerrone is the sole managing partner of Panetta Partners, Ltd. and in such capacity exercises voting and dispositive control over securities owned by Panetta Partners, Ltd. despite him having only a small pecuniary interest in such securities.
- (2) The common stock and warrants included in the units will not be separately transferable until the earlier of (i) the exercise in full of the underwriters' overallotment option or (ii) January 15, 2012. Each warrant will have an exercise price of \$5.50 per share, will be exercisable upon separation of the units and will expire five years from the date of issuance.
- (3) Consists of 120,646 shares of common stock and 60,323 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of warrants.

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