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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement SUTRO BIOPHARMA INC [STRO] Merck & Co., Inc. (Month/Day/Year) 09/26/2018 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 2000 GALLOPING HILL ROAD (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X__ 10% Owner Director Form filed by One Reporting Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) KENILWORTH, NJÂ 07033 _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/Year)	ate	3. Title and A Securities Un Derivative Se	nderlying	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	

Series E Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock

 $\hat{A} \stackrel{(1)}{\underline{\qquad}} \hat{A} \stackrel{(1)}{\underline{\qquad}}$

Common Stock

2,056,843 \$ (1)

I See Footnote (2)

Reporting Owners

		Relation	ationships		
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Merck & Co., Inc. 2000 GALLOPING HILL ROAD KENILWORTH, NJ 07033	Â	ÂX	Â	Â	
Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp. ONE MERCK DRIVE WHITEHOUSE STATION, NJ 08889	Â	ÂX	Â	Â	

Signatures

Merck & Co., Inc. /s/ Faye C. Brown, Senior Assistant Secretary

09/26/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp. /s/ Faye C. Brown, Assistant Secretary

09/26/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
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At any time at the holder's election, each share of the Issuer's Series E redeemable convertible preferred stock (the "Series E Preferred") is convertible into 0.0275 shares of the Issuer's common stock without payment or consideration. Upon the closing of the Issuer's sale of its common stock in its firm commitment underwritten initial public offering pursuant to a registration statement on Form S-1 (File No.

- (1) 333-227103) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, each share of the Series E Preferred will automatically convert into 0.0275 shares of the Issuer's common stock without payment or consideration. The Series E Preferred has no expiration date. The number of underlying shares of common stock reported in Column 3 reflects a 36.3-for-1 reverse stock split that became effective on September 14, 2018.
- (2) These securities are owned directly by Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp., which is a direct, wholly owned subsidiary of Merck & Co., Inc. ("Merck"). Merck is an indirect beneficial owner of the reported securities.

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