#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Finit of Type Responses)										-	
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person Ainsworth Sean	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Ocuphire Pharma, Inc. [OCUP]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X_ Director10% Owner				
(Last) (First) C/O OCUPHIRE PHARMA, INC. GRAND RIVER AVE, SUITE 120	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/11/2020					Officer (give title below)O	ther (specify bel	ow)			
(Street) FARMINGTON HILLS, MI 4833		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)Form filed by One Reporting PersonForm filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquiration						ired, 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. Transact Code (Instr. 8) Code	tion	4. Securi (A) or Di (Instr. 3, Amount	(A) or	of (D)	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership	

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)														
Security	Conversion		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code			ive es ed ed	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial
				Code	v	(A)		Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.05	11/11/2020		А		5,000		<u>(1)</u>	11/11/2030	Common Stock	5,000	\$ 0	5,000	D	

## **Reporting Owners**

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

### Signatures

/s/ Emily J. Johns, by Power of Attorney	11/13/2020
-**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

<sup>\*</sup> If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

(1) Vesting in 12 equal monthly increments beginning on November 30, 2020, except for October 31, 2021 when the balance vests.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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