

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MANUSO JAMES S J		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ocuphire Pharma, Inc. [OCUP]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) ☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner ☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O OCUPHIRE PHARMA, INC., 37000 GRAND RIVER AVE, SUITE 120		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/07/2021						
(Street) FARMINGTON HILLS, MI 48335		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				
(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (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)													
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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.74	06/07/2021		A	20,000		(1) 06/07/2031	Common Stock	20,000	\$ 0	20,000	D	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MANUSO JAMES S 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 Attorney		06/09/2021
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).

(1) Will vest upon the earlier of the one (1) year anniversary of the grant date or the day prior to the Issuer's next annual meeting of stockholders occurring after the grant date, subject to the Reporting Person's continuing service through the vesting date.

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