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

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Byrne David					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Akari Therapeutics Plc [ AKTX ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
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(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O AKARI THERAPEUTICS, PLC					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/29/2016									below) below)				
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(Street)				'	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
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Date				. Transaction Date Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Yea		e, Transaction Dispose Code (Instr.		rities Acquired (A) or ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		or 4 and 5)	5. Amount Securities Beneficiall Owned Fol	For (D)		m: Direct I or Indirect I Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
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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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Options to Purchase Ordinary Shares	\$0.1454	06/29/2016		A		1,300,000		(1)	06	6/29/2026	Ordinary Shares	1,30	00,000	\$0	1,300,0	000	D	

## Explanation of Responses:

1. All shares underlying the options will vest in full on the date of the Issuer's 2017 Annual General Meeting and expire ten years from issuance.

/s/ Robert M. Shaw, as attorney-

06/30/2016

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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