

SYNERGY PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Form 4

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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
Shailubhai Kunwar

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O SYNERGY  
PHARMACEUTICALS INC., 420  
LEXINGTON AVENUE, SUITE  
2012

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10170

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SYNERGY PHARMACEUTICALS,  
INC. [SGYP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
07/12/2013

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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**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	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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 4.4	07/12/2013		A	125,000	(1) 07/12/2023	Common Stock 125,000

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Shailubhai Kunwar  
 C/O SYNERGY PHARMACEUTICALS INC.  
 420 LEXINGTON AVENUE, SUITE 2012  
 NEW YORK, NY 10170

Chief Scientific Officer

## Signatures

/s/ Kunwar Shailubhai 07/16/2013

Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

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

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(1) 41,667 of the stock options vest on each of 7/12/2014 and 2015 and 41,666 vest on 7/12/2016.

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