

INOVIO PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Form 4

May 15, 2017

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BENITO SIMON X

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
**INOVIO PHARMACEUTICALS,
INC. [INO]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
**660 W. GERMANTOWN PIKE,
SUITE 110**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/12/2017

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

(Street)
PLYMOUTH MEETING, PA 19462

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
Common Stock	05/13/2017		M		10,000	A	<u>11</u> 27,798

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 (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 An Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Restricted Stock Unit	(2)	05/12/2017		A		7,669		(2)	(2)	Common Stock
Common Stock Options	\$ 7.14	05/12/2017		A		12,500		05/12/2018(3)	05/12/2027	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	05/13/2017		M		10,000		(1)	(1)	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BENITO SIMON X 660 W. GERMANTOWN PIKE, SUITE 110 PLYMOUTH MEETING, PA 19462	X			

Signatures

/s/ Simon X.
Benito

05/15/2017

**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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock. These restricted stock units vested 100% on May 13, 2017.

(2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock. These restricted stock units will vest 100% on May 12, 2018.

(3) Options to vest 100% on May 12, 2018.

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