Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

Shohet Stephen B.

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

06/24/2014

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [AMPH]

C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.. 11570 6TH STREET

(Street)

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner _X_ Director Officer _ Other (give title below) (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

RANCHO CUCAMONGA, Â CAÂ 91730

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form:

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. 5. Conversion or Exercise

Price of

6. Nature of Indirect Ownership Beneficial Ownership Form of (Instr. 5) Derivative

Expiration Exercisable Date

Title

Amount or Number of

Security: Derivative Security Direct (D)

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				Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	12/18/2015	Common Stock	38,462	\$ 11.68	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	10/03/2016	Common Stock	10,381	\$ 15.23	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	12/10/2016	Common Stock	37,994	\$ 14.23	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	12/15/2017	Common Stock	78,624	\$ 10.77	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	12/20/2018	Common Stock	58,557	\$ 14.66	D	Â

Reporting Owners

	Relationships				
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Shohet Stephen B. C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 11570 6TH STREET RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730	ÂX	Â	Â	Â	

Signatures

/s/Stephen B. Shohet, by Power of Attorney 06/24/2014

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) This option is fully vested and exercisable.
- (2) This option was granted on 12/20/2013 and fully vests on the first anniversary of the grant date, subject to the reporting person's continued service on the Board of Directors of the Issuer through the vesting date.

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