FORM 4

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* Van der Ploeg Leonardus H.T.							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RHYTHM PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. [RYTM]								k all applic Directo	able)	g Pers	son(s) to Iss 10% Ov Other (s below)	vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 500 BOYLSTON STREET, 11TH FLOOR						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/14/2018									,	hief Scier	ntific	,	
(Street) BOSTON MA 02116 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. 11	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
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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)		n of I		6. Date Exe Expiration (Month/Day	Date		7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)			3. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	ive ies cially ng ed ction(s)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$25.79	02/14/2018			A		55,000		(1)	0	2/13/2028	Common Stock	55,0	00	\$0	55,000	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. This option was granted on February 14, 2018 and the shares underlying this option vest in sixteen equal quarterly installments.

/s/ Hunter S. Smith, attorneyin-fact for Leonardus H.T. Van 02/16/2018 der Ploeg

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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