FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] <u>MERIDIAN VENTURE PARTNERS II</u> <u>LP</u> | | | <u>ANI</u> 3. Date | ANI PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ANIP] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director X 10% Owner Officer (give title below) below) | | | | | | | | | |
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| (Last) (First) (Middle) 259 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD | | | 03/12 | 03/12/2015 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SUITE 1 | 30 | | | | 4. If Ar | nend | lment, | Date c | of Original | Filed | (Month/Da | ay/Yea | r) | | i. Individual ine) | or Joint/Grou | p Fili | ing (Check A | pplicable | |
| (Street) RADNOR PA 19087 | | | | - | | | | | | | | Form filed by One Reporting Person X Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | | | |
| (City) | (St | | Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of S | Security (Inst | | le I - Noi | n-Deriv | | | Deem | | quired, | Dis | 4. Securit | | | | cially Owned or 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | _ | | | Code | v | Amount | (| A) or D) | Pric | Transaction(s) | | | | (Instr. 4) | |
| Common | Stock | | | | 2/2015 | | | • | S | | 300,00 | | D | | | ,350,559 | | D ⁽¹⁾ | | |
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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | Derivative Conversion Date Execution Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any | | n Date, | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | n of 🛛 | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) | | str. 3 | 8. Price o Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | | , | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | | | Code V | | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisa | | Expiration Date | Title | Amo or Num of Shar | nber | | | | | | |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] <u>MERIDIAN VENTURE PARTNERS II LP</u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (Last) 259 N. R SUITE 1 | | (First) HESTER ROAI | (Mido | dle) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (Street) RADNO | R | PA | 1908 | 37 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (City) | | (State) | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] Meridian Venture Partners II GP, L.P. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (Last) 259 N. R SUITE 1 | ADNOR-C | (First) HESTER ROAI | (Mido | dle) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] Meridian Venture Partners II, Co. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| 259 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD SUITE 130 | | | | | | | | |
|--|---------|----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| (Street) RADNOR | РА | 19087 | | | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | | | | | |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] Brown Robert E. JR | | | | | | | | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | | | | | | |
| C/O ANI PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. | | | | | | | | |
| 210 MAIN STREET WEST | | | | | | | | |
| (Street) BAUDETTE | MN | 56623 | | | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Meridian Venture Partners II, Co. (MVP Corp.) is the general partner of Meridian Venture Partners II GP, L.P. (GP), the general partner of Meridian Venture Partners II, L.P. (MVP II). Robert E. Brown, Jr., a director of the issuer, is the President, sole stockholder and sole director of MVP Corp., as well as a limited partner of GP and one of two principals of MVP II.

| /s/ Robert E. Brown, Jr. | 03/16/2015 |
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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.

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

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