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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 [*] Claiborne Cary J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Sucampo Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [SCMP]	(Check	tionship of Reporting Pers all applicable) Director Officer (give title	erson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify				
(Last) 4520 EAST WE	(First) CST HWY, 3RD F	(Middle) COOR	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2012	X	below) Chief Financial (below)				
, (Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	idual or Joint/Group Filing	(Check Applicable				
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Table L. Non-Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed of or Beneficially Owned										

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	ity (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) 2. A. Deemed Execution Da if any (Month/Day/Year)		, Transaction Code (Instr.					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock (ESPP) ⁽¹⁾	12/31/2012		Α		376 ⁽²⁾	Α	\$4.655	1,163	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 7. Title and 9. Number of 1. Title of 6. Date Exercisable and 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed 5. Number 8. Price of 10. 11. Nature Derivative Security (Instr. 3) Conversion Execution Date Transaction Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Amount of Derivative derivative Ownership of Indirect Date (Month/Day/Year) of Derivative Securities or Exercise if anv Code (Instr. Security Securities Form: Beneficial Beneficially Owned Price of Derivative (Month/Day/Year) 8) Securities Underlying (Instr. 5) Direct (D) Ownership (Instr. 4) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Acquired Derivative (A) or Disposed Following Reported Security Security (Instr. 3 and 4) of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) Amount o Number Date Expiration of Code ν (A) (D) Exercisable Date Title Shares

Explanation of Responses:

1. The reporting person is voluntarily reporting the acquisition of shares of the isser's common stock pursuant to the Sucampo Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan (ESPP), for the ESPP purchase period of October 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012. This transaction is exempt under Rule 16b-3(c).

2. In accordance with the ESPP, these shares were purchased based on 95% of the closing price of the issuer's common stock on December 31, 2012.

<u>/s/ Cary J. Claiborne</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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