

INOVIO PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Form 4

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**FORM 4**

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MARXE AUSTIN W &  
GREENHOUSE DAVID M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O SPECIAL SITUATIONS  
FUNDS, 527 MADISON AVENUE,  
SUITE 2600

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
10/22/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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**

| 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code V Amount (A) or (D) Price                                    |   |  |  |
| Common Stock                    | 10/22/2012                           |  | S                              | 100,000 D \$ 0.715 (1)  | 9,130,664   | I  | By Limited Partnerships                    |
| Common Stock                    | 10/23/2012                           |  | S                              | 202,000 (2) D \$ 1.4179 (1)                                       | 8,928,664 (2)   | I (2)  | By Limited Partnerships (2)                |

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)

| 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares  |

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MARXE AUSTIN W & GREENHOUSE DAVID M  
C/O SPECIAL SITUATIONS FUNDS  
527 MADISON AVENUE, SUITE 2600  
NEW YORK, NY 10022

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## Signatures

Austin W.  
Marxe 10/24/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

David M.  
Greenhouse 10/24/2012

\*\*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) This is a weighted average price.

(2) This is a joint filing by Austin W. Marxe (Marxe) and David M. Greenhouse (Greenhouse). They share voting and investment control over all securities owned by Special Situations Fund III QP, L.P. (SSFQP), Special Situations Cayman Fund, L.P. (Cayman), Special Situations Private Equity Fund, L.P. (PE) and Special Situations Life Sciences Fund, L.P. (LS). 5,128,631 shares of Common Stock are held by SSFQP, 1,642,364 shares of Common Stock are held by Cayman, 1,222,103 shares of Common Stock are held by PE and 935,566 shares of Common Stock are held by LS. The interest of Marxe and Greenhouse in the shares of Common Stock owned by SSFQP, Cayman, PE and LS is limited to the extent of his pecuniary interest.

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