

Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.  
 Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

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|--|---|--|---|---|--|
| <p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â Koo Richard</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.,Â 11570 6TH STREET</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>RANCHO CUCAMONGA,Â CAÂ 91730</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p> | <p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>06/24/2014</p> | <p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [AMPH]</p> | <p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner<br/> <input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other<br/>                 (give title below) (specify below)</p> | <p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p> | <p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br/> <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p> |
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned<br>(Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Common Stock                       | 204,365  | D   | Â  |
| Common Stock                       | 5,457 <sup>(1)</sup>                                     | D   | Â  |
| Common Stock                       | 10,000   | I   | By Richard Y. Koo, a sole proprietorship <sup>(2)</sup>  |

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)**

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of<br>Securities Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 4.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 5.<br>Ownership<br>Form of<br>Derivative<br>Security:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 5) | 6. Nature of Indirect<br>Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
|---|--|--|---|---|---|
|   | Date<br>Exercisable      Expiration<br>Date                    | Title  | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares                                      |   |   |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                   | Â (3)      12/20/2018  | Common Stock   | 29,278      \$ 14.66  | D   | Â   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |              |         |       |
|--|---------------|--------------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10%<br>Owner | Officer | Other |
| Koo Richard<br>C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.<br>11570 6TH STREET<br>RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730 | Â X           | Â            | Â       | Â     |

## Signatures

/s/Richard Koo, 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 represents deferred stock units that were granted on 12/20/2013 and fully vest 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.
- (2) Reflects shares owned by Richard Y. Koo, a sole proprietorship, of which the Reporting Person is the sole owner.
- (3) 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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