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| Check th<br>if no long<br>subject to<br>Section 1<br>Form 4 o          | <b>14</b> UNITED                     | Washington, D.C. 20549  |   |              |  |      |                              |  |   | PROVAL<br>3235-0287<br>January 31<br>2005<br>verage<br>rs per |  |  |
| Form 5<br>obligatio<br>may cont<br>See Instru<br>1(b).                 | Filed pu<br>ns Section 17            | response 0.<br>Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,<br>Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section<br>30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 |   |              |  |      |                              |  |   |   |  |  |
| (Print or Type I   | Responses)                           |   |   |              |  |      |                              |  |   |   |  |  |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u><br>KOZARICH JOHN W    |                                      |   | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading<br>Symbol<br>LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS<br>INC [LGND] |              |  |      |                              | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to<br>Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)  |   |   |  |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br>11119 NORTH TORREY PINES<br>ROAD, SUITE 200 |                                      |   | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction<br>(Month/Day/Year)<br>05/02/2016                             |              |  |      |                              | X_ Director 10% Owner<br>Officer (give title Other (specify<br>below)  |   |   |  |  |
| (Street)<br>LA JOLLA, CA 92037   |                                      |   | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)  |              |  |      |                              | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check<br>Applicable Line)<br>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person<br>Form filed by More than One Reporting |   |   |  |  |
| (City)   | (State)                              | (Zip)   | Tabl  | le I - Non-I | )erivative   | Secu | rities Aca                   | Person<br>uired, Disposed of   | or Beneficial   | v Owned   |  |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                                   | 2. Transaction Da<br>(Month/Day/Year | ) Execution any   | emed 3.   |              | 4. Securities Acquired<br>on(A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)<br>(A)<br>or |      |                              | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                               | 6.<br>Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect                                      |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock  | 05/02/2016                           |   |   | Code V<br>S  | Amount<br>800 (1)  | . ,  | Price<br>\$<br>121.45<br>(2) |  | D   |   |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock  | 05/02/2016                           |   |   | S            | 200 <u>(1)</u>   | D    | \$<br>122.04<br>(3)          | 43,711   | D   |   |  |  |

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5.<br>orNumber<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | 3                   | Date               | 7. Titl<br>Amou<br>Under<br>Securi<br>(Instr. | unt of<br>rlying                       | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secur<br>Bene<br>Owne<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
|---|---|---|--|---|---------------------|--------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Popo  | rting O   | wnore                                   | Code V                                 | (A) (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |   |

# **Reporting Owners**

| <b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>   |            | Relationships |         |      |  |  |  |  |
|---|------------|---------------|---------|------|--|--|--|--|
|   | Director   | 10% Owner     | Officer | Othe |  |  |  |  |
| KOZARICH JOHN W<br>11119 NORTH TORREY PINES ROAD, SUITE 200<br>LA JOLLA, CA 92037 | ) X        |               |         |      |  |  |  |  |
| Signatures  |            |               |         |      |  |  |  |  |
| By: Charles S. Berkman For: John W. Kozarich                                      | 05/03/2016 |               |         |      |  |  |  |  |
| **Signature of Reporting Person   | Date       |               |         |      |  |  |  |  |
| Explanation of Responses:   |            |               |         |      |  |  |  |  |

## 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) The sale reported on this Form 4 was made pursuant to a written trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on December 01, 2015, in accordance with Rule 10b5-1.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from
   (2) \$120.98 to \$121.90, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide, upon request to the Securities Exchange Commission staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from (3) \$121.98 to \$122.10, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide, upon request to the Securities Exchange Commission staff, the

issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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