

WALKER JOHN PETER  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
WALKER JOHN PETER

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O GERON CORPORATION, 230  
CONSTITUTION DRIVE

(Street)

MENLO PARK, CA 94025

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
GERON CORP [GERN]

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

01/30/2009

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)

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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	01/30/2009		M		20,000	A	\$ 5.08
							59,119 <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock	01/30/2009		M		2,500	A	\$ 5.08
Common Stock	01/30/2009		M		10,000	A	\$ 5.08
Common Stock	01/30/2009		M		15,000	A	\$ 3.97
Common Stock	01/30/2009		M		1,117	A	\$ 3.97
							87,736

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Common Stock      01/30/2009      S      48,617      D      \$ 8.28      39,119      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 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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.08	01/30/2009		M	20,000	05/30/2003 04/28/2009 <sup>(2)</sup>	Common Stock	20,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.08	01/30/2009		M	2,500	05/30/2003 04/28/2009 <sup>(2)</sup>	Common Stock	2,500
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.08	01/30/2009		M	10,000	<sup>(5)</sup> 04/28/2009 <sup>(2)</sup>	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.97	01/30/2009		M	15,000	05/28/2008 04/28/2009 <sup>(2)</sup>	Common Stock	15,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.97	01/30/2009		M	1,117	<sup>(3)</sup> 04/28/2009 <sup>(2)</sup>	Common Stock	1,117

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director   10% Owner   Officer   Other

WALKER JOHN PETER  
C/O GERON CORPORATION      X  
230 CONSTITUTION DRIVE  
MENLO PARK, CA 94025

## Signatures

/s/ Olivia Bloom for John P.      01/30/2009  
Walker

\_\_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) Balance reflects expiration of 6,700 unexercised options in Sept. 2008 and cancellation of 5,583 options in connection with Mr. Walker's resignation from the Board of Directors on Jan. 28, 2009.
- (2) In accordance with the Directors Option Plan, options remain exercisable for only 90 days after the date a Director resigns from the Company. Mr. Walker resigned on Jan. 28, 2009.  
  
This option was exercisable in a series of 24 equal monthly installments commencing on Sept. 18, 2008 provided the optionee continued
- (3) to provide services to the Company. Remaining unvested options were cancelled in connection with Mr. Walker's resignation from the Board of Directors on Jan. 28, 2009.
- (4) Balance reflects cancellation of 20,625 unvested restricted stock awards in connection with Mr. Walker's resignation from the Board of Directors on Jan. 28, 2009.
- (5) This option was exercisable in a series of 48 equal monthly installments commencing May 23, 2003 provided the optionee continued to provide services to the Company. The option was fully exercisable on May 23, 2007.

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