

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>BIOTECH TARGET N V</u> <hr/> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>SNIPWEG 26</u> <hr/> (Street) <u>CURACAO P8 00000</u> <hr/> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>05/03/2018</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Esperion Therapeutics, Inc. [ESPR]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	2,822,964	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>BB BIOTECH AG</u> <hr/> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>SCHWERTSTRASSE 6</u> <hr/> (Street) <u>SCHAFFHAUSEN V8 CH-8200</u> <hr/> (City) (State) (Zip)		
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Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Biotech Target N.V. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of BB Biotech AG. Accordingly, BB Biotech AG may be deemed to be the indirect beneficial owner of the securities of Esperion Therapeutics, Inc. held directly or indirectly by Biotech Target N.V. The Form 3 is jointly filed by BB Biotech AG and Biotech Target N.V.

/s/ Ivo Betschart 05/09/2018

/s/ Michael Hutter 05/09/2018

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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 5 (b)(v).

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