# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549** 

FORM 6-K
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REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 or 15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of July, 2019

Commission File Number: 001-38452

## MEREO BIOPHARMA GROUP PLC

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

4th Floor, One Cavendish Place, London, W1G 0QF, United Kingdom (Address of principal executive office)

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#### Mereo BioPharma Group plc

("Mereo" or the "Company")

#### **Notification of Director and other PDMR Dealings**

**London, July 24, 2019** - Mereo BioPharma Group plc (AIM: MPH, NASDAQ: MREO), a clinical stage UK based biopharmaceutical company focused on rare diseases, on July 23, 2019 granted incentive awards as set out below to persons discharging managerial responsibilities (PDMRs). All the awards were granted for nil consideration and shall ordinarily be forfeit (to the extent unvested) upon cessation of service.

Options to acquire American Depositary Shares ("ADSs") at an exercise price of \$3.00 per ADS under the Mereo BioPharma Group plc 2019 Equity Incentive Plan (an employees' share scheme):

Name of PDMR	Position	Number of ADSs over which Option granted
Denise Scots-Knight	Chief Executive Officer	87,500
Alastair MacKinnon	Chief Medical Officer	27,500
Richard Jones	Chief Financial Officer	27,500
Charles Sermon	General Counsel	27,500
Wills Hughes-Wilson	Head of Patient Access and	
	Commercial Planning	18,000
John Richard	Head of Corporate Development	27,500

These Options shall normally vest and become exercisable as to one quarter on the first anniversary of their grant date and, thereafter, as to the balance in equal monthly installments over the three-year period following such anniversary.

Options to acquire ADSs at an exercise price of \$3.00 per ADS under the Mereo BioPharma Group plc 2019 Non-Employee Equity Incentive Plan:

Name of PDMR	Position	Number of ADSs over which Option granted
Peter Fellner	Chairman	5,500
Anders Ekblom	Director	5,500
Peter Bains	Director	5,500
Kunal Kashyap	Director	5,500
Paul Blackburn	Director	5,500
Deepa Pakianathan	Director	5,500
Michael Wyzga	Director	5,500

These Options shall vest in equal monthly instalments over the year following their grant date.

In each case above the exercise price of \$3.00 per ADS was therefore set at a premium to the closing price for Mereo BioPharma Group plc ADS for 22 July 2019 which was \$2.30.

The below announcement and notification is made in accordance with the EU Market Abuse Regulation. The forms required under the EU Market Abuse Regulation follow.

1 Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities

a) Name Denise Scots-Knight

2 Reason for the notification

a) Position/status Chief Executive Officerb) Initial notification/ Amendment Initial notification

3 Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor

a) Name Mereo BioPharma Group plcb) LEI 213800U8JQHIJOS5AS09

Details of the transaction(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) each type of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place

where transactions have been conducted

 a) Description of the financial instrument type of instrument and identification code

Description of the financial instrument, AMERICAN DEPOSITARY SHARE (ADS), EACH REPRESENTING 5 MEREO BIOPHARMA

GROUP PLC ORDINARY SHARES OF GBP0.003 EACH

b) Nature of the transaction GRANT OF AN OPTION (FOR NO CONSIDERATION) UNDER THE MEREO BIOPHARMA GROUP PLC 2019 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN. THE EXERCISE PRICE IS US\$3.00 PER ADS

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c) Price(s) and volume(s)

 Price(s)
 Volume(s)

 NIL
 87,500

d) Aggregated information: volume, Price NOT APPLICABLE – SINGLE TRANSACTION

e) Date of the transaction July 23, 2019

f) Place of the transaction Outside of a trading venue

1 Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities

a) Name Alastair MacKinnon

2 Reason for the notification

a) Position/status Chief Medical Officerb) Initial notification/ Amendment Initial notification

3 Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor

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b) Nature of the transaction

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c) Price(s) and volume(s)

Price(s) Volume(s)

NIL Volume(s)

NIL Volume(s)

27,500

d) Aggregated information: volume, Price NOT APPLICABLE – SINGLE TRANSACTION

e) Date of the transaction July 23, 2019

f) Place of the transaction Outside of a trading venue

1 Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities

a) Name Richard Jones

2 Reason for the notification

a) Position/status Chief Financial Officerb) Initial notification/ Amendment Initial notification

3 Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor

a) Name Mereo BioPharma Group plcb) LEI 213800U8JQHIJOS5AS09

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c) Price(s) and volume(s)

 Price(s)
 Volume(s)

 NIL
 27,500

d) Aggregated information: volume, Price NOT APPLICABLE - SINGLE TRANSACTION

e) Date of the transaction July 23, 2019

f) Place of the transaction Outside of a trading venue

1 Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities

a) Name Charles Sermon

2 Reason for the notification

a) Position/status General Counselb) Initial notification/ Amendment Initial notification

3 Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor

a) Name Mereo BioPharma Group plcb) LEI 213800U8JQHIJOS5AS09

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GROUP PLC 2019 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN. THE EXERCISE PRICE IS US\$3.00 PER ADS

c) Price(s) and volume(s)

 Price(s)
 Volume(s)

 NIL
 27,500

Aggregated information: volume, Price NOT APPLICABLE – SINGLE TRANSACTION d) Date of the transaction July 23, 2019 e) Place of the transaction Outside of a trading venue f) Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities 1 Wills Hughes-Wilson a) Reason for the notification Head of Patient Access and Commercial Planning a) Position/status Initial notification/ Amendment Initial notification b) Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor 3 Mereo BioPharma Group plc a) LEI 213800U8JQHIJOS5AS09 b) Details of the transaction(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) each type of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have been conducted Description of the financial instrument, AMERICAN DEPOSITARY SHARE (ADS), EACH REPRESENTING 5 MEREO BIOPHARMA

type of instrument and identification code

GROUP PLC ORDINARY SHARES OF GBP0.003 EACH

GRANT OF AN OPTION (FOR NO CONSIDERATION) UNDER THE MEREO BIOPHARMA Nature of the transaction GROUP PLC 2019 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN. THE EXERCISE PRICE IS US\$3.00 PER ADS

Price(s) and volume(s)

Price(s)
NIL Volume(s) 18,000

Aggregated information: volume, Price NOT APPLICABLE – SINGLE TRANSACTION d)

July 23, 2019 Date of the transaction e)

f) Place of the transaction Outside of a trading venue

Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities 1 John Richard a) Name 2 Reason for the notification Position/status Head of Corporate Development a) Initial notification/ Amendment Initial notification b) 3 Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor Mereo BioPharma Group plc Name a) 213800U8JQHIJOS5AS09 LEI b) Details of the transaction(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) each type of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have been conducted Description of the financial instrument, AMERICAN DEPOSITARY SHARE (ADS), EACH REPRESENTING 5 MEREO BIOPHARMA GROUP PLC ORDINARY SHARES OF GBP0.003 EACH type of instrument and identification code Nature of the transaction GRANT OF AN OPTION (FOR NO CONSIDERATION) UNDER THE MEREO BIOPHARMA b) GROUP PLC 2019 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN. THE EXERCISE PRICE IS US\$3.00 PER ADS Price(s) and volume(s) Price(s) Volume(s) NIL 27,500

d) Aggregated information: volume, Price NOT APPLICABLE - SINGLE TRANSACTION

July 23, 2019 Date of the transaction

Place of the transaction Outside of a trading venue f)

Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities

Peter Fellner a)

Reason for the notification

Position/status Chairman b) Initial notification/ Amendment Initial notification

3 Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor

a) Name Mereo BioPharma Group plcb) LEI 213800U8JQHIJOS5AS09

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b) Nature of the transaction GRANT OF AN OPTION (FOR NO CONSIDERATION) UNDER THE MEREO BIOPHARMA

GROUP PLC 2019 NON-EMPLOYEE EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN. THE EXERCISE PRICE IS

US\$3.00 PER ADS

c) Price(s) and volume(s)

 $\begin{array}{cc} \underline{\text{Price}(\S)} & \underline{\text{Volume}(\S)} \\ \text{NIL} & 5,500 \end{array}$ 

d) Aggregated information: volume, Price NOT APPLICABLE – SINGLE TRANSACTION

e) Date of the transaction July 23, 2019

f) Place of the transaction Outside of a trading venue

1 Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities

a) Name Anders Ekblom

2 Reason for the notification

a) Position/status Director

b) Initial notification/ Amendment Initial notification

3 Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor

a) Name Mereo BioPharma Group plc

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Price(s) and volume(s)

Price(s) Volume(s) 5,500

US\$3.00 PER ADS

Aggregated information: volume, Price NOT APPLICABLE - SINGLE TRANSACTION

July 23, 2019 e) Date of the transaction

Place of the transaction Outside of a trading venue f)

Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities

Name Peter Bains a)

Reason for the notification 2

Position/status Director a)

b) Initial notification/ Amendment Initial notification

3 Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor

Mereo BioPharma Group plc a) Name LEI 213800U8JQHIJOS5AS09 b)

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Nature of the transaction

code

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GROUP PLC 2019 NON-EMPLOYEE EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN. THE EXERCISE PRICE IS

c) Price(s) and volume(s)

<u>Price(s)</u> <u>Volume(s</u>
NIL 5,500

d) Aggregated information: volume, Price NOT APPLICABLE - SINGLE TRANSACTION

e) Date of the transaction July 22, 2019

f) Place of the transaction Outside of a trading venue

1 Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities

a) Name Kunal Kashyap

2 Reason for the notification

a) Position/status Director

b) Initial notification/ Amendment Initial notification

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GROUP PLC 2019 NON-EMPLOYEE EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN. THE EXERCISE PRICE IS

US\$3.00 PER ADS

c) Price(s) and volume(s)

 Price(s)
 Volume(s)

 NIL
 5,500

Aggregated information: volume, Price NOT APPLICABLE – SINGLE TRANSACTION d) Date of the transaction July 23, 2019 e) Place of the transaction Outside of a trading venue f) Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities 1 Name Paul Blackburn a) Reason for the notification a) Position/status Director Initial notification/ Amendment Initial notification b) Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor 3 Mereo BioPharma Group plc a) LEI 213800U8JQHIJOS5AS09 b) Details of the transaction(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) each type of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have been conducted Description of the financial instrument, AMERICAN DEPOSITARY SHARE (ADS), EACH REPRESENTING 5 MEREO BIOPHARMA type of instrument and identification GROUP PLC ORDINARY SHARES OF GBP0.003 EACH code GRANT OF AN OPTION (FOR NO CONSIDERATION) UNDER THE MEREO BIOPHARMA Nature of the transaction

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US\$3.00 PER ADS

Price(s) and volume(s)

Price(s) Volume(s) NIL 5,500

Aggregated information: volume, Price NOT APPLICABLE – SINGLE TRANSACTION d)

July 23, 2019 Date of the transaction e)

Place of the transaction Outside of a trading venue

Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities Deepa Pakianathan a) Name 2 Reason for the notification Position/status Director a) Initial notification/ Amendment Initial notification b) 3 Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor Name Mereo BioPharma Group plc a) 213800U8JQHIJOS5AS09 LEI b) Details of the transaction(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) each type of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have been conducted Description of the financial instrument, AMERICAN DEPOSITARY SHARE (ADS), EACH REPRESENTING 5 MEREO BIOPHARMA GROUP PLC ORDINARY SHARES OF GBP0.003 EACH type of instrument and identification code Nature of the transaction GRANT OF AN OPTION (FOR NO CONSIDERATION) UNDER THE MEREO BIOPHARMA GROUP PLC 2019 NON-EMPLOYEE EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN. THE EXERCISE PRICE IS US\$3.00 PER ADS

c) Price(s) and volume(s)

 Price(s)
 Volume(s)

 NIL
 5,500

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Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities Michael Wyzga a) Name 2 Reason for the notification Position/status Director a) Initial notification/ Amendment Initial notification b) 3 Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor Name Mereo BioPharma Group plc a) 213800U8JQHIJOS5AS09 LEI b) Details of the transaction(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) each type of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have been conducted Description of the financial instrument, AMERICAN DEPOSITARY SHARE (ADS), EACH REPRESENTING 5 MEREO BIOPHARMA GROUP PLC ORDINARY SHARES OF GBP0.003 EACH type of instrument and identification code Nature of the transaction GRANT OF AN OPTION (FOR NO CONSIDERATION) UNDER THE MEREO BIOPHARMA GROUP PLC 2019 NON-EMPLOYEE EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN. THE EXERCISE PRICE IS US\$3.00 PER ADS

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 Price(s)
 Volume(s)

 NIL
 5,500

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#### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: July 24, 2019

### MEREO BIOPHARMA GROUP PLC

By: /s/ Charles Sermon

Name: Charles Sermon Title: General Counsel