

TSUKAMOTO ANN  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
TSUKAMOTO ANN

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O STEMCELLS, INC., 3155  
PORTER DRIVE  
(Street)

PALO ALTO, CA 94304

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
STEMCELLS INC [STEM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/15/2009

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)  
EVP, Research and Development

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/15/2009		A	93,333 A \$ 0	230,833 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock					22,834	I	family trust <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock					38,206	I	By 401(k) Plan <sup>(3)</sup>

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to purchase)	\$ 1.75	05/15/2009		A	35,000	05/15/2010 <sup>(4)</sup> 05/15/2019	Common Stock	35,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TSUKAMOTO ANN C/O STEMCELLS, INC. 3155 PORTER DRIVE PALO ALTO, CA 94304			EVP, Research and Development	

## Signatures

/s/ Ken Stratton,  
attorney-in-fact

05/19/2009

\*\*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) Includes 137,500 restricted stock units, with 1/2 of these vesting on March 10, 2010, and 1/2 of these vesting on March 10, 2011.
- (2) 22834 shares held in trust as to which Dr. Tsukamoto disclaims beneficial ownership.
- (3) Shares held in 401(k) account, in accordance with issuer's employer-match policies.
- (4) Employee Incentive Stock Option; vests 1/4 on the first anniversary of the grant and 1/48 per month thereafter.

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