

GERON CORP  
Form DEFA14A  
April 10, 2009

SCHEDULE 14A

(Rule 14a-101)

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SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

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**GERON CORPORATION**

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Materials for the Stockholder Meeting to Be Held on  
May 29, 2009**

You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the above company, and the materials you should review before you cast your vote are now available.

**This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.**

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- Notice and Proxy Statement
- Annual Report
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## Meeting Information

Meeting Type: Annual  
Meeting Date: 05/29/09  
Meeting Time: 8:30 A.M., local time  
For holders as of: 03/31/09

### Meeting Location:

Geron's Headquarters  
230 Constitution Drive  
Menlo Park, CA 94025

## How To Vote

### Vote In Person

Many stockholder meetings have attendance requirements including, but not limited to, the possession of an attendance ticket issued by the entity holding the meeting. Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance. At the meeting, you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares.

### Vote By Internet

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### Voting Items

**The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR Proposals 1, 2, 3 and 4.**

1. Election of Class I Directors.

**Nominees:**

1a. Thomas B. Okarma, Ph.D., M.D.

1b. Patrick J. Zenner

2. To approve amendments to the Company's 2006 Directors' Stock Option Plan to revise certain terms with respect to stock options, restricted stock awards and restricted stock units to be granted under such plan.
3. To approve an amendment to the Company's 1996 Employee Stock Purchase Plan to increase the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock authorized for issuance under such plan by 600,000 shares.

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4. To ratify appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2009.
5. As said proxies deem advisable on such other matters as may come before the meeting and any adjournment(s) or postponement(s) thereof.

