FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  SANDELL SCOTT D						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ARDELYX, INC. [ ARDX ]								5. Relationship of Reportin (Check all applicable) Director Officer (give title			X 10% Ov		wner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1954 GREENSPRING DRIVE SUITE 600					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2020									belov			below)	ороону	
(Street) TIMONIUM MD 21093					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting						
(City)	(St	ate) (2	Zip)												Person				
		Table	I - No	n-Deriva	tive S	ecu	ritie	es Acq	uired,	Dis	posed of,	, or B	ene	iciall	y Own	ed			
Da				Date	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			) or 4 and	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or P	rice	Transa	ed ction(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)
Common	Stock			07/01/2	2020				G	v	14,258	D	,	\$0.00		0			See Note 1 <sup>(1)</sup>
Common	Stock														8,0	86,401			See Note 2 <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock															2,604,582				See Note 3 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock													2,942,599				See Note 4 <sup>(4)</sup>		
Common Stock												47				See Note 5 <sup>(5)</sup>			
Common Stock												47				See Note 6 <sup>(6)</sup>			
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Title of 2. 3. Transaction Date Execution or Exercise (Month/Day/Year)			med 4.		5. Number of		6. Date Exerci Expiration Da (Month/Day/Yo		sable and te	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Insti 3 and 4)		8. De Se (Ir	Price of erivative ecurity estr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	y	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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- within the meaning of Section 16 of the 1934 Act, as amended, of such portion of the Blue Mountain Trust shares in which the Reporting Person has no pecuniary interest.
- 2. The Reporting Person is a manager of NEA 12 GP, LLC ("NEA 12 GP"), which is the sole general partner of NEA Partners 12, Limited Partnership ("NEA Partners 12"). NEA Partners 12 is the sole general partner of New Enterprise Associates 12, Limited Partnership ("NEA 12"), which is the direct beneficial owner of the securities. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership, within the meaning of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise of such portion of the NEA 12 shares in which the Reporting Person has no pecuniary interest.
- 3. The Reporting Person is a manager of NEA 15 GP, LLC ("NEA 15 GP"), which is the sole general partner of NEA Partners 15, L.P. ("NEA Partners 15"). NEA Partners 15 is the sole general partner of NEA Partners 15. New Enterprise Associates 15, L.P. ("NEA 15"), the direct beneficial owner of the Securities. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership within the meaning of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise of such portion of the NEA 15 shares in which the Reporting Person has no pecuniary interest.
- 4. The Reporting Person is a manager of NEA 15 GP, which is the sole general partner of NEA Partners 15-OF, L.P. ("NEA Partners 15-OF"). NEA Partners 15-OF is the sole general partner of NEA 15 Opportunity Fund, L.P. ("NEA Opportunity 15"), the direct beneficial owner of the securities. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership within the meaning of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise of such portion of the NEA Opportunity 15 shares in which the Reporting Person has no pecuniary interest.
- 5. The securities are directly held by Genevieve P. Hardigg, as trustee of the Jennifer Ayer Sandell Rising River Trust, dated December 20, 2012 (the "Jennifer Ayer Sandell Rising River Trust"). The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership within the meaning of Section 16 of the 1934 Act, as amended, of such portion of the Jennifer Ayer Sandell Rising River Trust shares in which the Reporting Person has no pecuniary interest.
- 6. The securities are directly held by Genevieve P. Hardigg, as trustee of the Scott Sandell Rising River Trust, dated December 20, 2012 (the "Scott Sandell Rising River Trust"). The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership within the meaning of Section 16 of the 1934 Act, as amended, of such portion of the Scott Sandell Rising River Trust shares in which the Reporting Person has no pecuniary interest

## Remarks:

/s/ Sasha Keough, attorney-in-07/07/2020

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

- \* 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).

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