FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     MOTT DAVID M						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARDELYX, INC. [ ARDX ]							(Che	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director 10% Owner					
(Last)	`	irst) IC. 34175 ARDE	(Middle)	BLVD		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/16/2021								_	(give title	10% Owner Other (specify below)			
(Street) FREMO		A State)	94555 (Zip)		4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applic Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reportin Person													
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Trans Date (Month)					action 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) 5)				5. Amoun Securities Beneficia Owned Fo	s Formally (D) (ollowing (I) (II)		m: Direct or Indirect Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transacti (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)					
	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)	rivative   Conversion   Date   Execution Date,   curity   or Exercise   (Month/Day/Year)   if any				ransa ode (I	sansaction bde (Instr. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 7. Title and An of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)			ies g Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	s Silly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				C	ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	on(s)			
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$7.31	06/16/2021			A		32,765 <sup>(1)</sup>		(2)		06/16/2031	Common Stock	32,765	\$0.00	32,76	5	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The option was issued pursuant to the Issuer's Non-Employee Director Compensation Program.
- 2. The option vests with respect to 1/12th of the shares subject thereto on each monthly anniversary of the grant date, which vesting will accelerate in full on the date of the next annual stockholder's meeting to the extent unvested as of such date, subject to continued service through each applicable vesting date.

/s/ Elizabeth Grammer,

Attorney-in-Fact for David 06/21/2021

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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