FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addre	1 0		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARDELYX, INC. [ARDX]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
					-	-			X	Director	10% 0	Dwner		
(Last) C/O ARDELY2	(First)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/16/2021						Officer (give title below)	Other below	(specify )			
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned														
1. Title of Security	/ (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date,		iction Instr.		D) (Instr.		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					Code	v	Amount	(A) or	Price	Transaction(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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code ( 8)		5. Number Derivative Securities Acquired or Dispose of (D) (Ins 4 and 5)	(A) ed	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/\	ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)		
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	32,765	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.

## <u>/s/ Elizabeth Grammer,</u>

<u>Attorney-in-fact for Onaiza</u> Cador<u>et-Manier</u>

<u>06/21/2021</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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