FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Bazemore Robert B					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ARDELYX, INC. [ ARDX ]							Relationship ( neck all applic X Directo	able)	Reporting Person(s) to Issuer ole) 10% Owne			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ARDELYX, INC.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/16/2021						Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify		
34175 ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 200				4	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable						
(Street) FREMONT CA 94555										Lin	X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)														
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
Date				2. Transact Date (Month/Day	Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) 5)			5. Amou Securitie Benefici Owned F Reporte	s Form ally (D) o ollowing (I) (In		Direct Indirect Istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)		Transac	saction(s) r. 3 and 4)			iiisu. 4)
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/Ye	Code	action (Instr.	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 Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security	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 Exercisabl		Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe 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	32,76	\$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 Robert B. 06/21/2021

Bazemore

\*\* 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).
- \*\* 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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