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 and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARDELYX, INC. [ARDX]								ationship of Reportir a all applicable) Director	X 10	% Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1954 GREENSPRING DRIVE SUITE 600			e)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/09/2021								Officer (give title below)		ner (specify ow)	
				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street)												Form filed by One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)													
	Tal	ble I - N	lon-Derivat	tive	Securities Ad	cquire	ed, D	isposed o	f, or B	enef	icially	Owned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			and 5) Securities Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect ect Beneficial Ownership	
						Code	v	Amount	(A) or Price			Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock			12/09/202	1		S		397,124	D	\$1.5	129 ⁽¹⁾	7,689,277	I	See Note 2 ⁽²⁾	
Common Stock			12/09/202	1		S		127,826	D	\$1.5	129 ⁽¹⁾	2,476,756	I	See Note 3 ⁽³⁾	
Common Stock			12/09/202	1		S		144,533	D	\$1.5	129 ⁽¹⁾	2,798,066	I	See Note 4 ⁽⁴⁾	
Common Stock			12/14/202	1		S		593,612	D	\$1.	2441	7,095,665	I	See Note 2 ⁽²⁾	
Common Stock			12/14/202	1		S		191,074	D	\$1.	2441	2,285,682	I	See Note 3 ⁽³⁾	
Common Stock			12/14/202	1		S		216,049	D	\$1.	2441	2,582,017	I	See Note 4 ⁽⁴⁾	
Common Stock			12/15/202	1		S		888,185	D	\$1.	1431	6,207,480	I	See Note 2 ⁽²⁾	
Common Stock			12/15/202	1		S		323,167	D	\$1.	1431	2,258,850	I	See Note 4 ⁽⁴⁾	
Common Stock												47	I	See Note 5 ⁽⁵⁾	
Common Stock												47	I	See Note 6 ⁽⁶⁾	

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)	Perivative Conversion Date Gecurity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		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 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) (Instr. 4)	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				

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$1.50 to \$1.58, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote (1) to this Form 4.
- 2. The Reporting Person is a manager of NEA 12 GP, LLC, which is the sole general partner of NEA Partners 12, Limited Partnership ("NEA Partners 12"). NEA Partners 12 is the sole general partner of NEA Partnership ("NEA Partners 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 securities 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 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 securities 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 15-OF"), 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-OF securities 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, or otherwise of such portion of the Jennifer Ayer Sandell Rising River Trust securities 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, or otherwise of such portion of the Scott Sandell Rising River Trust securities in which the Reporting Person has no pecuniary interest.

Remarks:

/s/ Sasha Keough, attorney-infact 12/27/2021

** 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).
- ** 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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