FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MOTT DAVID M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARDELYX, INC. [ARDX]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
				X	Director	Х	10% Owner		
(Last) 1954 GREENSP	(First) RING DRIVE	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/18/2016		Officer (give title below)		Other (specify below)		
SUITE 600			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street)				X	Form filed by One R	eport	ting Person		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)							

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Securities Beneficially Owned Foll Reported		Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Bene Own		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	07/18/2016		P ⁽¹⁾		763,651	A	\$8.73	2,665,520	Ι	See Note 2 ⁽²⁾		
Common Stock	07/18/2016		P ⁽¹⁾		763,650	A	\$8.73	2,665,519	Ι	See Note 3 ⁽³⁾		
Common Stock								14,343	D			

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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	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. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	ative rities ired osed . 3, 4	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Expiration Date		Expiration Date		7. Title Amouri Securi Underl Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties ying tive ty (Instr. 3	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 Expiration Exercisable Date		Title	Amount or Number of Shares								

Explanation of Responses:

1. Acquired from the issuer pursuant to a Securities Purchase Agreement dated July 14, 2016, with a closing date of July 18, 2016.

2. 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 securities held by NEA 15 in which the Reporting Person has no pecuniary interest.

3. 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 securities held by NEA Opportunity 15 in which the Reporting Person has no pecuniary interest.

Remarks:

<u>/s/</u>	Sasha Keough, attorney-in-	07/20/2010
~		07/20/2016

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** 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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