FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

OMB APPROVAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* New Enterprise Associates 12, Limited Partnership						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARDELYX, INC. [ARDX]									k all app	tor r (give title	g Pers	()	vner	
(Last)	(Last) (First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/10/2020										,		,		
1954 GREENSPRING DRIVE																				
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 Reporting Person					
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(City)	(St	ate) (Z	Zip)																	
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day)						Execu	eemed Ition Date, h/Day/Year)				s Acquired (A) Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		and Securi Benefi		ies cially Following	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
									v	Amount	(A) (D)	or Pr	ice	Transa	ction(s) 3 and 4)			(IIISU. 4)		
Common Stock 06/10/20					020				J ⁽¹⁾		1,482,809	,809 D		0.00	8,086,401]	D ⁽²⁾		
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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye		ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Inst 3 and 4)		De Se (In:	Price of rivative curity str. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	y Dii or (I)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Amou or Numb of Title Share		er						

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. New Enterprise Associates 12, Limited Partnership ("NEA 12") made a pro rata distribution for no consideration of an aggregate of 1,482,809 shares of Common Stock of the Issuer to its general partner and its limited partners on June 10, 2020.
- 2. The shares are directly held by NEA 12 and indirectly held by NEA Partners 12, Limited Partnership ("NEA Partners 12"), the sole general partner of NEA 12, NEA 12 GP, LLC ("NEA 12 GP"), the sole general partner of NEA Partners 12, and the individual managers of NEA 12 GP (NEA Partners 12, NEA 12 GP and the individual managers of NEA 12 GP together, the "Indirect Reporting Persons"). The individual managers of NEA 12 GP are Forest Baskett, Patrick J. Kerins, and Scott D. Sandell. The Indirect Reporting Persons disclaim 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 shares in which the Indirect Reporting Persons have no pecuniary interest.

Remarks:

/s/ Sasha Keough, attorney-in-06/12/2020

** 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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