

bluebird bio, Inc.  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Leschly Nick

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O BLUEBIRD BIO, INC., 150  
SECOND STREET  
(Street)

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02141

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
bluebird bio, Inc. [BLUE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/01/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/01/2016		A		22,500	A	\$ 0
Common Stock					336,044 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
					17,186	I	Nick Leschly 2001 Trust

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

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**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 Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 50.51	03/01/2016		A	90,000	<sup>(3)</sup> 03/01/2026	Common Stock	90,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Leschly Nick C/O BLUEBIRD BIO, INC. 150 SECOND STREET CAMBRIDGE, MA 02141	X		President and CEO	

## Signatures

/s/ Jason F. Cole,  
Attorney-in-Fact  
Date: 03/03/2016

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
- (1) Restricted stock units for common stock vest over a four-year period at a rate of 25% on 01/04/2017, 25% on 01/04/2018, 25% on 01/04/2019, and 25% on 01/04/2020.
- (2) 303 shares were acquired under the bluebird bio, Inc. employee stock purchase plan on January 31, 2016.
- (3) This option vests over a four-year period, at a rate of twenty-five percent (25%) on January 4, 2017 and in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter.

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