ARDELYX, INC. Form 4 July 20, 2016

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MOTT DAVID M

(First) (Middle) (Last)

1954 GREENSPRING DRIVE, SUITE 600

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ARDELYX, INC. [ARDX]

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

07/18/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X_ Director X 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

TIMONIUM, MD 21093

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative S	ecuriti	ies Acqı	iired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	rution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) nth/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)		of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common	0=14019046		Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	,	See Note
Stock	07/18/2016		P(1)	763,651	A	8.73	2,665,520	1	2 (2)
Common Stock	07/18/2016		P(1)	763,650	A	\$ 8.73	2,665,519	I	See Note 3 (3)
Common Stock							14,343	D	

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)

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				Code V	(A) (D)			,	Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MOTT DAVID M 1954 GREENSPRING DRIVE SUITE 600 TIMONIUM, MD 21093	X	X					

Signatures

/s/ Sasha Keough, attorney-in-fact 07/20/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) Acquired from the issuer pursuant to a Securities Purchase Agreement dated July 14, 2016, with a closing date of July 18, 2016.
 - 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
- (2) 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.
 - 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
- (3) 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.

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