ARDELYX, INC. Form 4 January 14, 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**

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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 * BARRIS PETER J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

ARDELYX, INC. [ARDX]

(Check all applicable)

1954 GREENSPRING

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

01/13/2016

_X__ 10% Owner Officer (give title __ Other (specify

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4. If Amendment, Date Original

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Applicable Line)

Director

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

below)

TIMONIUM, MD 21093

(City)	(State) (Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Perivative Se	ecuriti	es Acqı	uired, Disposed o	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)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie on(A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4)	osed o	of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/13/2016		P(1)	500,000	A		7,988,893	I	See Note 2
Common Stock	01/13/2016		P(1)	500,000	A	\$ 10	1,901,869	I	See Note 3 (3)
Common Stock	01/13/2016		P(1)	500,000	A	\$ 10	1,901,869	I	See Note 4 (4)
Common Stock							444	I	See Note 5 (5)
Common Stock							136	I	See Note 6 <u>(6)</u>

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerci	isable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	ç
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration Da	te	Amou	nt of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/Y	(ear)	Under	lying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)]
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		(
	Security				Acquired						J
					(A) or						J
					Disposed						-
					of (D)						(
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
									or		
						Date	Expiration		Number		
						Exercisable	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

BARRIS PETER J 1954 GREENSPRING DRIVE SUITE 600 TIMONIUM, MD 21093

X

Signatures

/s/ Sasha Keough, attorney-in-fact 01/14/2016

**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) Reports the purchase of shares in the underwritten public offering of common stock of Ardelyx, Inc.
 - The Reporting Person is a manager of NEA 12 GP, LLC, ("NEA 12 GP") which is the sole general partner of NEA Partners 12, Limited Partnership ("NEA Partners 12"). NEA Partners 12 is the sole general partner of New Enterprise Associates 12, Limited Partnership
- (2) ("NEA 12"), 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 12 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

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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
- (4) 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.
- The Reporting Person is a member of PJ Barris, LLC, 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 securities of the Issuer held by PJ Barris, LLC in which the Reporting Person has no pecuniary interest.
- The Reporting Person is the investment advisor of PDB LLC, 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 securities of the Issuer held by PDB LLC in which the Reporting Person has no pecuniary interest.

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