ARDELYX, INC. Form 4 January 20, 2016

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 16. Form 4 or

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

SECURITIES Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Jacobs Jeffrey W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Middle)

(Zip)

Symbol

ARDELYX, INC. [ARDX]

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

01/15/2016

C/O ARDELYX, INC., 34175 ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 200

(Street)

(State)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

SVP, Technical Operations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Person

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

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1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D) Price

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

(A)

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8 **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.55	01/15/2016		A		68,467		<u>(1)</u>	01/15/2026	Common Stock	68,467

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Jacobs Jeffrey W C/O ARDELYX, INC. 34175 ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 200 FREMONT, CA 94555

SVP, Technical Operations

Signatures

/s/ Elizabeth Grammer, Attorney-in-Fact for Jeffrey
Jacobs 01/20/2016

**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).

The option becomes exercisable as it vests and the shares subject to the option vest in 48 successive, equal monthly installments on each monthly anniversary of January 15, 2016, subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment or service relationship with the Issuer on each such vesting date.

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