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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Sakoda Jon

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(First)

(Street)

(State)

ARDELYX, INC. [ARDX] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director

X__ 10% Owner

1954 GREENSPRING DRIVE, SUITE 600

(Month/Day/Year) 01/13/2016

below)

Other (specify Officer (give title

(Zip)

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired n(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(A) or		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	()		
Common Stock	01/13/2016		P(1)	500,000	A	\$ 10	1,901,869	I	See Note 2 (2)
Common Stock	01/13/2016		P(1)	500,000	A	\$ 10	1,901,869	I	See Note 3

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 Exer	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amount	of	Derivative	Deriv
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting o where runne / runne oss	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Sakoda Jon 1954 GREENSPRING DRIVE SUITE 600 TIMONIUM, MD 21093		X					

Signatures

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

**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) Reports the purchase of shares in the underwritten public offering of common stock of Ardelyx, Inc.
 - 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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