FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Watanabe Todd Franklin						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Arcutis Biotherapeutics, Inc. [ ARQT ]  5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner V Officer (give title Other (specify											vner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ARCUTIS BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC. 3027 TOWNSGATE ROAD, SUITE 300						Date of /05/20		est Trar	nsaction	ı (Mon	nth/Day/Year)		X below) Selow) President and CEO						
(Street) WESTLAKE VILLAGE CA 91361				4. 1	f Amen	dmer	nt, Date	of Orig	inal Fi	iled (Month/D		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					n		
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transacti Date (Month/Day		ion	n 2A. Deemed Execution Date		d Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
										v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			[	Instr. 4)
Common Stock 1			11/05/2	05/2021				<b>M</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		1,000	A	\$1.6	806	595	5,779 <sup>(2)</sup>		D		
Common Stock		11/05/2	1/05/2021				S <sup>(1)</sup>		1,000	D	\$21.50	5016 <sup>(3)</sup> 594		,779 <sup>(2)</sup>		D			
Common Stock													57,358		,358			By LLC <sup>(4)</sup>	
Common Stock														17	,850			By Γrust <sup>(5)</sup>	
Common Stock														17,850				By Γrust <sup>(6)</sup>	
Common Stock														124,956		I		By Γrust <sup>(7)</sup>	
		Т	able								sposed of				Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	, , ,	4. Transa	ansaction de (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			cisable and	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. F Der Sec	Price of erivative ecurity estr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Owne Form: Direct or Ind (I) (Ins	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er					
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$1.6806	11/05/2021			M <sup>(1)</sup>			1,000	(8	3)	03/13/2029	Commor Stock	1,00	00	\$0.00	122,63	5	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Transaction made pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person.
- 2. Includes 54,450 RSUs. The Reporting Person is entitled to receive one (1) share of common stock for each one (1) RSU upon the vesting thereof.
- 3. The transaction was executed in multiple trades in prices ranging from \$21.35 to \$21.69, inclusive. The price reported in Column 4 above reflects the weighted average sale price. The Reporting Person hereby undertakes to provide to the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each respective price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- 4. The securities are held of record by Watanabe Ventures, LLC, of which the Reporting Person is the Chief Operating Officer. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes.
- 5. The securities are held of record by The Anderson Prest Watanabe Irrevocable Trust, of which the Reporting Person is the trustee. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes.
- 6. The securities are held of record by The John Franklin Watanabe Trust, of which the Reporting Person is the trustee. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other
- 7. The securities are held of record by The Watanabe 2016 Irrevocable Trust, of which the Reporting Person's children are beneficiaries. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or
- 8. The option began vesting monthly over a four year period beginning upon the achievement of certain company milestones, subject to the Reporting Person's continuous provision of services to the Issuer on each vesting date. The option contains an early-exercise provision and is exercisable as to unvested shares, subject to the Issuer's right of repurchase.

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- \* 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).

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