FORM 4

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Instruction 1(b)

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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]								Check X	ationship of Reporting Per k all applicable) Director Officer (give title below) President and		10%	Issuer Owner r (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ARCUTIS BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC. 3027 TOWNSGATE ROAD, SUITE 300						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/06/2021								X			belo	
(Street) WESTLAKI VILLAGE	WESTLAKE CA 91361				4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of C				of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)				6. Indiv ine) X	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Ap Form filed by One Reporting Perso Form filed by More than One Repo Person			rson
(City)	(St		(Zip)		<u></u>													
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Transa Date	Transaction		2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		ed (A) or	or 5. A and 5) Sec Ben Owr		Amount of ecurities eneficially when Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership		
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Sto	ock			07/06	/2021				M ⁽¹⁾		1,750	A	\$1.6	806	596,	529 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Sto	ock			07/06	/2021				S ⁽¹⁾		1,750	D	\$26	5.58	594,	779(2)	D	
Common Sto	ock														57	,358	I	By LLC ⁽³⁾
Common Sto	ock														17	,850	I	By Trust ⁽⁴⁾
Common Sto	ock														17	,850	I	By Trust ⁽⁵⁾
Common Stock														124,956		I	By Trust ⁽⁶⁾	
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Security or Exe (Instr. 3) Price	rivative	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	ed n Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr 8)		5. Number 6		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		able and	7. Title an Amount of Securities Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 and	d of s g e Securit	8. De Se (Ir	. Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	er				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$1.6806	07/06/2021			M ⁽¹⁾			1,750	(7)	(03/13/2029	Common Stock	1,750	0	\$0.00	129,63	35 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 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
- 4. 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.
- 5. 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
- 6. 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
- 7. 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.

/s/ Scott Burrows, as Attorneyin-Fact for Todd Franklin 07/08/2021 Watanabe

** 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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