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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

	ss of Reporting Perso	on*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Arcutis Biotherapeutics, Inc. [ARQT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
Watanabe Todd Franklin			,,,,,,,,	X	Director	10% Owner		
(Last) (First) (Middle)				x	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		
	. ,	()	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/05/2021		CEO			
C/O ARCUIIS	BIOTHERAPEUT	IICS, INC.	00/03/2021					
3027 TOWNSGATE ROAD, SUITE 300								
(Street) WESTLAKE CA 91361			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	idual or Joint/Group Filing	(Check Applicable		
				X	Form filed by One Reporting Person			
VILLAGE					Form filed by More than Person	One Reporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

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

Table 1 Hon Derivative Occurrices Acquired, Disposed oil, of Derivative Occurrica												
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	08/05/2021		M ⁽¹⁾		1,000	A	\$1.6806	595,779 ⁽²⁾	D			
Common Stock	08/05/2021		S ⁽¹⁾		1,000	D	\$20.81	594,779 ⁽²⁾	D			
Common Stock								57,358	I	By LLC ⁽³⁾		
Common Stock								17,850	I	By Trust ⁽⁴⁾		
Common Stock								17,850	I	By Trust ⁽⁵⁾		
Common Stock								124,956	I	By Trust ⁽⁶⁾		

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		of		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$1.6806	08/05/2021		M ⁽¹⁾			1,000	(7)	03/13/2029	Common Stock	1,000	\$0.00	128,635	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 purposes.

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 for any other purposes.

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.

<u>/s/ Scott Burrows, as Attorney-</u> <u>in-Fact for Todd Franklin</u> 08/09/2021 <u>Watanabe</u>

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

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

 * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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