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

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**FORM S-1  
REGISTRATION STATEMENT**  
*Under  
The Securities Act of 1933*

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**ARCUTIS BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**2834**  
(Primary Standard Industrial  
Classification Code Number)

**81-2974255**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

**2945 Townsgate Road, Suite 110  
Westlake Village, California 91361  
(805) 418-5006**

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

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**Todd Franklin Watanabe  
Chief Executive Officer  
Arcutis Biotherapeutics, Inc.  
2945 Townsgate Road, Suite 110  
Westlake Village, California 91361  
(805) 418-5006**

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**Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public:  
As soon as practicable after the effective date of this registration statement.**

If any of the securities being registered on this form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933 check the following box.

If this form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.  333-235806

If this form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" "smaller reporting company" and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act.

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**CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price(1)	Amount of Registration Fee
Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	\$30,546,875	\$3,965

- (1) The registration fee is calculated in accordance with Rule 457(o) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, based on the proposed maximum aggregate offering price. The Registrant previously registered securities with an aggregate offering price not to exceed \$152,734,375 on a Registration Statement on Form S-1, as amended (File No. 333-235806), which was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 30, 2020. In accordance with Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, an additional amount of shares having a proposed maximum aggregate offering price of \$30,546,875 are hereby registered, which includes the additional shares that the underwriters have the option to purchase.

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**This Registration Statement shall become effective upon filing in accordance with Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act.**

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE AND INCORPORATION OF  
CERTAIN INFORMATION BY REFERENCE**

Pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (“*Securities Act*”), Arcutis Biotherapeutics, Inc. (“*Registrant*”) is filing this Registration Statement on Form S-1 (this “*Registration Statement*”) with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“*Commission*”). This Registration Statement relates to the public offering of securities contemplated by the Registration Statement on [Form S-1](#), as amended (File No. 333-235806) (the “*Prior Registration Statement*”), which the Registrant originally filed with the Commission on January 6, 2020, and which the Commission declared effective on January 30, 2020.

The Registrant is filing this Registration Statement for the sole purpose of increasing the aggregate offering price of shares to be offered in the public offering by \$30,546,875, including the offering price of shares that may be sold upon exercise of the underwriters’ option to purchase additional shares of the Registrant’s common stock. The additional securities that are being registered for sale represent no more than 20% of the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the Calculation of Registration Fee table contained in the Prior Registration Statement. The information set forth in the Prior Registration Statement and all exhibits to the Prior Registration Statement are incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement.

**The required opinions and consents are listed on the Exhibit Index attached hereto and filed herewith.**

## EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
5.1	<a href="#">Opinion of Fenwick &amp; West LLP.</a>
23.1	<a href="#">Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.</a>
23.2	<a href="#">Consent of Fenwick &amp; West LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).</a>
24.1	<a href="#">Power of Attorney (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 24.1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Registration No. 333-235806)).</a>

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this registration statement on Form S-1 to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Westlake Village, State of California, on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2020.

### ARCUTIS BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC.

By: /s/ Todd Franklin Watanabe  
Todd Franklin Watanabe  
*President and Chief Executive Officer*

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement on Form S-1 has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
<u>/s/ Todd Franklin Watanabe</u> Todd Franklin Watanabe	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	January 30, 2020
<u>/s/ John W. Smither</u> John W. Smither	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Accounting and Financial Officer)	January 30, 2020
<u>*</u> Patrick J. Heron	Director, Chairman	January 30, 2020
<u>*</u> Alexander G. Asam, Ph.D	Director	January 30, 2020
<u>*</u> Bhaskar Chaudhuri, Ph.D.	Director	January 30, 2020
<u>*</u> Daniel J. Estes, Ph.D.	Director	January 30, 2020
<u>*</u> Jonathan T. Silverstein, J.D.	Director	January 30, 2020
<u>*</u> Ricky Sun, Ph.D.	Director	January 30, 2020

\*By: *Attorney-in-Fact*

/s/ John W. Smither  
John W. Smither



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January 30, 2020

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

At your request, we have examined the Registration Statement on Form S-1 (the "**Registration Statement**") filed by Arcutis Biotherapeutics, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "**Company**"), with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "**Commission**") on January 30, 2020 pursuant to Rule 462(b) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**"), in connection with the registration of 1,796,875 shares of the Company's Common Stock (the "**Stock**").

In connection with our opinion expressed below we have examined originals or copies of the underwriting agreement pursuant to which the Stock will be sold to the underwriters, the Registration Statement, the prospectus prepared in connection with the Registration Statement (the "**Prospectus**"), the Company's certificate of incorporation, as amended (the "**Certificate**"), and the Company's bylaws, as amended (the "**Bylaws**"), certain minutes and consents of the Company's board of directors (the "**Board**") or a committee or committees thereof and the Company's stockholders relating to the Registration Statement, the Certificate and the Bylaws, and such other agreements, documents, certificates and statements of the Company, its transfer agent and public or government officials, as we have deemed advisable, and have examined such questions of law as we have considered necessary. In giving our opinion, we have also relied upon a good standing certificate regarding the Company issued by the Delaware Secretary of State and a management certificate addressed to us and dated of even date herewith executed by the Company containing certain factual representations by the Company.

In our examination of documents for purposes of this opinion, we have assumed, and express no opinion as to, the genuineness of all signatures on original documents, the authenticity and completeness of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to originals and completeness of all documents submitted to us as copies, the legal capacity of all persons or entities executing the same (other than the Company), the lack of any undisclosed termination, modification, waiver or amendment to any document reviewed by us.

We render this opinion only with respect to, and express no opinion herein concerning the application or effect of the laws of any jurisdiction other than, the existing Delaware General Corporation Law.

In connection with our opinion expressed below, we have assumed that, at or prior to the time of the delivery of any shares of Stock, the Registration Statement will have been declared effective under the Securities Act that the registration will apply to the offer and sale of such shares of Stock and will not have been modified or rescinded and that there will not have occurred any change in law affecting the validity of the issuance of such shares of Stock.

Based upon the foregoing, we are of the opinion that the up to 1,796,875 shares of Stock that may be issued and sold by the Company, when issued, sold and delivered in the manner and for the consideration stated in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus and in accordance with the resolutions adopted by the Board and to be adopted by the Pricing Committee of the Board, will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

We consent to the use of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and further consent to all references to us, if any, in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus constituting a part thereof and any amendments thereto.

This opinion is intended solely for use in connection with issuance and sale of shares of Stock subject to the Registration Statement and is not to be relied upon for any other purpose. This opinion is rendered as of the date first written above and is based solely on our understanding of facts in existence as of such date after the aforementioned examination. In rendering the opinions above, we are opining only as to the specific legal issues expressly set forth therein, and no opinion shall be inferred as to any other matter or matters. We assume no obligation to advise you of any fact, circumstance, event or change in the law or the facts that may hereafter be brought to our attention whether or not such occurrence would affect or modify any of the opinions expressed herein.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Fenwick & West LLP

**FENWICK & WEST LLP**

**Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) of the Securities Act of 1933 of the reference to our firm under the captions “Experts” and “Selected Financial Data” and to the incorporation by reference of our report dated September 9, 2019 (except for the retroactive effect of the 1-for-2 reverse stock split as described in Note 1, as to which the date is January 21, 2020), with respect to the financial statements of Arcutis Biotherapeutics, Inc. included in Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement (Form S-1 No. 333-235806) and related Prospectus of Arcutis Biotherapeutics, Inc. for the registration of its common stock.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Los Angeles, California  
January 30, 2020