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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> <u>Smither John W</u>			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Arcutis Biotherapeutics</u> , Inc. [ ARQT ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)
1	(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ARCUTIS BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC. 3027 TOWNSGATE ROAD, SUITE 300		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2021	Chief Financial Officer
(Street) WESTLAKE CA 91361		91361	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)         X       Form filed by One Reporting Person         Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	ivative Securities Acquired. Disposed of, or Ben	aficially Owned

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			4. Securities Disposed Of 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/01/2021		S <sup>(1)</sup>		773	D	\$34.204	24,425 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock								87,965	Ι	By Trust <sup>(3)</sup>

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

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 Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Dispe of (D	r osed ) 7. 3, 4	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		te Amount of		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				

## Explanation of Responses:

1. The sale was effected pursuant to the Reporting Person's Rule 10b5-1 trading plan to satisfy tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs"). Shares and RSUs remain subject to a lock-up agreement with the underwriters for the Issuer's follow-on offering in February 2021.

2. Includes 6,750 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 The 1994 Smither Family Trust, as Amended and Restated in 2014, of which the Reporting Person is a 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.

/s/ John W. Smither	03/03/2021

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

 $\ast$  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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