Instruction 1(b).

## 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 <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Arcutis Biotherapeutics, Inc. [ ARQT ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner						
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(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ARCUTIS BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC. 3027 TOWNSGATE ROAD, SUITE 300					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/02/2021								X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  President and CEO					
(Street) WESTLAKE VILLAGE CA 91361				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indiv Line) X	•				
(City)	(S	tate) (Z	ip)															
		Table	I - I	Non-Deriva	tive	Secu	rities <i>F</i>	Acqu	irec	d, Di	sposed o	f, or I	3enef	icially	Own	ed		
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)		ion   I	4. Securities / Disposed Of (				ities icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
								Cod	le V	, ,	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Transa	action(s) . 3 and 4)		(1115ti. 4)
Common	Stock			03/02/202	1			S <sup>(1)</sup>	.)		2,107	D	\$35.1	.856 <sup>(2)</sup>	560	6,216 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	
Common	Stock														4	9,981	I	By LLC <sup>(4)</sup>
Common	Stock														1	7,850	I	By Trust <sup>(5)</sup>
Common Stock													1	7,850	I	By Trust <sup>(6)</sup>		
Common Stock													124,956		I	By Trust <sup>(7)</sup>		
		Tal	ole I	II - Derivati (e.g., pu							posed of, convertil				)wne	d		
1. Title of Derivative Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  (Instr. 3)  2. Conversion Date (Month/Day/Year)  3. Transaction Date Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			ive (I	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  S				7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		rice of vative urity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)		
Explanation of Responses:		Code	· V	(A) (		Date Exerc	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er							

- 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. The transaction was executed in multiple trades in prices ranging from \$35.12 to \$35.385, 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.
- 3. Includes 21,750 RSUs. The Reporting Person is entitled to receive one (1) share of common stock for each one (1) RSU upon the vesting thereof.
- 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 purpose
- 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
- 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 for any other purposes.

/s/ John W. Smither, as Attorney-in-Fact for Todd Franklin Watanabe

03/03/2021

\*\* 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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