FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Welgus Howard G.						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Arcutis Biotherapeutics, Inc. [ ARQT ]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ARCUTIS BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC. 3027 TOWNSGATE ROAD, SUITE 300						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/16/2021							r (give title		(specify
(Street) WESTLAKE VILLAGE CA 91361				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					6. Lir	ie) X Form Form	ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person				
(City)	(City) (State) (Zip)  Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned														
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. To Date				2. Transa Date (Month/E	ection	2A. Deemed Execution Date,	3. 4. Securities Acc Transaction Code (Instr.		ies Acquire	d (A) or	5. Amo Securit Benefic Owned	unt of ies ially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
							Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reporte Transa (Instr. 3	ction(s)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 03/16/2					/2021		M <sup>(1)</sup>		390	A	\$1.68	06 206	,023(2)	D	
Common Stock 03/1					/2021		M <sup>(1)</sup>		1,041	. <b>A</b>	\$1.68	06 207	,064 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock					/2021		M <sup>(1)</sup>		1,222	A	A \$0.580		208,286(2)		
Common Stock												24	1,991	I	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 Date Date (Month/Day/Year) Price of Derivative Security  3. Transaction Date Execution Date (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year)		Date,	4. Transacti Code (Ins 8)		6. Date E Expiration (Month/E	n Date	•	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative (Instr. 3 an	l Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Ownershi Form: Ily Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)		

## Option (Right to \$0.5802 03/16/2021

\$1.6806

\$1,6806

Stock Option

Buy)
Stock

(Right to

(Right to

Buy) Stock

Buy)

**Explanation of Responses:**1. Reflects cash exercise of stock option without the disposition of the underlying shares.

03/16/2021

03/16/2021

2. Includes 6,750 Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs"). The Reporting Person is entitled to receive one (1) share of common stock for each one (1) RSU upon the vesting thereof.

(A) (D)

390

1 041

1.222

Code

 $M^{(1)}$ 

M<sup>(1)</sup>

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3. The securities are held of record by The Welgus Living Trust, of which the Reporting Person is 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.

Date

Exercisable

(4)

(5)

(6)

Expiration

03/13/2029

03/13/2029

06/13/2028

Title

Stock

Commor

Stock

Stock

- 4. 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.
- 5. The option began vesting on March 13, 2019 and will vest monthly over a four year period, 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.
- 6. The option began vesting monthly over 35 months beginning July 11, 2019, 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/ John W. Smither, as
Attorney-in-Fact for Howard 03/18/2021

G. Welgus

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Amount

Shares

390

1.041

1,222

\$0.00

\$0.00

\$0.00

10,934

24 991

21,996

D

D

D

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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