ARDELYX, INC. Form 4 January 07, 2016

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Korner Paul

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

below)

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

ARDELYX, INC. [ARDX] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director

10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O ARDELYX, INC., 34175 ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 200

(State)

01/05/2016

(Month/Day/Year)

01/05/2016

below) EVP, Chief Medical Officer

(Check all applicable)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Zip)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

FREMONT, CA 94555

(City)

Common

Stock

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Code V Amount (D)

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

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orderivative Securities Acquired (A) Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, an 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) (A) or of (D)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.46	01/05/2016		A	131,405	(2)	01/05/2026	Common Stock	131,405

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Korner Paul C/O ARDELYX, INC. 34175 ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 200 FREMONT, CA 94555			EVP, Chief Medical Officer			

Signatures

/s/ Elizabeth Grammer, Attorney-in-Fact for Paul
Korner 01/07/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Restricted Stock Units ("RSU"). The reporting person is entitled to receive one (1) share of common stock for each one (1) RSU upon the vesting thereof.
- The shares subject to the option vest with respect to 25% of the total number of shares subject thereto on the one year anniversary of January 4, 2016, and the remaining shares subject to the option vest in 36 successive, equal monthly installments on each monthly anniversary thereafter, subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment or service relationship with the Issuer on each such vesting date.

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