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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Novartis Bioventures Ltd

(First)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Middle)

(Zip)

Altimmune, Inc. [ALT]

(Check all applicable)

C/O NOVARTIS

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/15/2018

Director X__ 10% Owner _ Other (specify Officer (give title below)

INTERNATIONAL AG, LICHTSTRASSE 35

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

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

I

Person

BASEL, V8 CH-4056

(City)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

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

Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following (Instr. 4) Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Price Amount (D)

Common Stock, par

value

\$0.0001

06/15/2018

 $J^{(1)}$ 14,449

Code V

(1) 5,611,806 See Footnote

(2)

SEC 1474

(9-02)

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

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$\label{thm:convertible} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	5	ate	7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	int of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Novartis Bioventures Ltd C/O NOVARTIS INTERNATIONAL AG LICHTSTRASSE 35 BASEL, V8 CH-4056		X				
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Signatures

Signatures	
/s/ Bart Dzikowski, Secretary of the Board of Novartis Bioventures Ltd	06/19/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Anja Koenig, Authorized Signatory of Novartis Bioventures Ltd **Signature of Reporting Person	06/19/2018 Date
/s/ Bart Dzikowski, Authorized Signatory of Novartis AG **Signature of Reporting Person	06/19/2018 Date
/s/ Anja Koenig, Authorized Signatory of Novartis AG **Signature of Reporting Person	06/19/2018 Date

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- * 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).
- Pursuant to the terms of the Series B Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Preferred Stock"), the Issuer converted the Preferred Stock into (1) shares of the Issuer's common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "Common Stock") at the installment conversion price of \$0.4410 per share of Common Stock.
- The board of directors of Novartis Bioventures Ltd has sole voting and investment control and power over such securities. None of the (2) members of its board of directors has individual voting or investment power with respect to such securities and each disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities. Novartis Bioventures Ltd is an indirectly owned subsidiary of Novartis AG.

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