Novartis Bioventures Ltd Form 4 July 31, 2018

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Novartis Bioventures Ltd			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AILERON THERAPEUTICS INC [ALRN]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last)  C/O NOVAL INTERNAT AG, WSJ-20	RTIS IONAL	Middle)	3. Date of (Month/Date 07/27/20	•					DirectorX 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Noi	n-De	erivative S	Secur	ities Aco	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any	emed on Date, if /Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (Instr.		4. Securi on(A) or Di (D) (Instr. 3,	4 and (A) or	d of 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	07/27/2018			S		6,458	D	\$ 3.38 (1)	2,473,227	D (2)		
Common Stock	07/30/2018			S		2,000	D	\$ 3.27	2,471,227	D (2)		

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)

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 Derivative Securities Acquired	3	ate	Amou Under Secur	le and ant of rlying rities . 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo
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				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 WSJ-200.220 BASEL, V8 CH-4002		X					
NOVARTIS AG LICHTSTRASSE 35 BASEL, V8 CH 4056		X					

## **Signatures**

/s/ Bartosz Dzikowski, Secretary of the Board of Novartis Bioventures Ltd					
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				
/s/ Stephan Sandmeier, Authorized Signatory on behalf of Novartis Bioventures Ltd	07/31/2018				
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				
/s/ Bartosz Dzikowski, Authorized Signatory on behalf of Novartis AG	07/31/2018				
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				
/s/ Stephan Sandmeier, Authorized Signatory on behalf of Novartis AG	07/31/2018				
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				

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#### **Explanation of Responses:**

sales were effected.

- \* 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).
- Reflects sales of common stock executed in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$3.36 to \$3.50. The price reported reflects the weighted average sale price. The Reporting Persons hereby undertake to provide upon request to the Securities and Exchange
- (1) Weighted average sate piece. The Reporting Fersons hereby undertake to provide upon request to the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the sales were effected.
- (2) The shares are directly owned by Novartis Bioventures Ltd. Novartis Bioventures Ltd is a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of Novartis AG, which is an indirect beneficial owner of the reported securities.
- Reflects sales of common stock executed in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$3.14 to \$3.30. The price reported reflects the weighted average sale price. The Reporting Persons hereby undertake to provide upon request to the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the

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