

Mandell James
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Mandell James

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 bluebird bio, Inc. [BLUE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BLUEBIRD BIO, INC., 60
 BINNEY STREET

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 09/10/2018

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

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 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) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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) | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 09/10/2018 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 432 | D | \$ 150.0579 | 1,568 | D |
| | | | | | | (2) | | |
| Common Stock | 09/10/2018 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 501 | D | \$ 151.2209 | 1,067 | D |
| | | | | | | (3) | | |
| Common Stock | 09/10/2018 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 67 | D | \$ 152.0015 | 1,000 | D |
| | | | | | | (4) | | |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Mandell James C/O BLUEBIRD BIO, INC. 60 BINNEY STREET CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142 | | X | | |

Signatures

/s/ Jason F. Cole, Attorney-in-Fact 09/12/2018

**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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on July 26, 2018. The range in prices for the transaction reported on this line was \$150.00 to \$150.125. The average weighted price was \$150.0579.
- (2) reporting person will provide, upon request by the SEC, the issuer or security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price. The range in prices for the transaction reported on this line was \$151.10 to \$151.70. The average weighted price was \$151.2209.
- (3) reporting person will provide, upon request by the SEC, the issuer or security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (4)

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The range in prices for the transaction reported on this line was \$152.00 to \$152.05. The average weighted price was \$152.0015. The reporting person will provide, upon request by the SEC, the issuer or security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

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