

ARDELYX, INC.  
Form 4  
January 08, 2015

**FORM 4**

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Caldwell Jeremy S

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ARDELYX, INC., 34175  
ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 100

(Street)

FREMONT, CA 94555

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

ARDELYX, INC. [ARDX]

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

01/06/2015

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

EVP, Chief Scientific Officer

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

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

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V                                                                          | Amount                                                                                                             | (D)                                                                  | Price                                                             |

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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<br>Derivative<br>Security | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any | 4. Transaction<br>Code | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. D |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
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| (Instr. 3)                           | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) |        |     |                     |                    |                 |                                     |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
|                                      |                                    |                  | Code       | V                                                                | (A)    | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy) | \$ 23.02                           | 01/06/2015       | A          |                                                                  | 15,000 |     | <u>(1)</u>          | 01/06/2025         | Common<br>Stock | 15,000                              |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                                 | Relationships |           |                               |       |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
|                                                                                                | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                       | Other |
| Caldwell Jeremy S<br>C/O ARDELYX, INC.<br>34175 ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 100<br>FREMONT, CA 94555 |               |           | EVP, Chief Scientific Officer |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Elizabeth Grammer, Attorney-in-Fact for Jeremy Caldwell

01/08/2015

\_\_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).

Twenty-five percent (25%) of the shares subject to the option vest and become exercisable on the first anniversary measured from (1) January 6, 2015, and the remaining shares subject to the option vest and become exercisable in 36 successive, equal monthly installments thereafter, subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment or service relationship with the Issuer on each such vesting date.

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