Rosenbaum David P. Form 4 January 22, 2019

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Rosenbaum David P.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ARDELYX, INC. [ARDX]

(Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

> (Month/Day/Year) 01/17/2019

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

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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Director 10% Owner

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X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

Chief Development 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

FREMONT, CA 94555

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (T) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) any

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, 5)	(D)			
				Code V	(A)	(D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 2.32	01/17/2019		A	120,000	<u>(1)</u>	01/17/2029	Common Stock	120,000
Stock Option	\$ 2.32	01/17/2019		A	54,343	<u>(1)</u>	01/17/2029	Common Stock	54,343

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
,	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Rosenbaum David P. C/O ARDELYX, INC. 34175 ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 200 FREMONT, CA 94555			Chief Development Officer			

Signatures

/s/ Elizabeth Grammer, Attorney-in-Fact for David Rosenbaum

01/22/2019

**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).
- The option becomes exercisable as it vests and the shares subject to the option vest in 48 successive, equal monthly installments on each (1) monthly anniversary of January 17, 2019, subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment or service relationship with the Issuer on each such vesting date.
- (2) The options are directly held by the Reporting Person's wife.

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