

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Brown Victoria L.</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O APELLIS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 100 FIFTH AVENUE, 3RD FLOOR  (Street) WALTHAM MA 02451  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 04/02/2020	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Apellis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [ APLS ]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director _____ 10% Owner _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) _____ <u>Program Team Lead</u>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	3,125 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	

**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	03/06/2029	Common Stock	70,000	18.98	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)	02/09/2030	Common Stock	12,075	44.33	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	03/24/2030	Common Stock	6,675	28.37	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Consist of shares of Common Stock issuable under 2,013 restricted stock units ("RSUs") granted on February 10, 2020 and 1,112 RSUs granted on March 25, 2020. Each RSU was granted pursuant to the Company's 2017 Stock Incentive Plan and represents the right to receive one share of Common Stock upon vesting. The RSUs will vest as to 25% of the shares underlying the RSUs on the first anniversary of the date of grant, and 25% of the shares underlying the RSUs on each anniversary of grant date thereafter through the fourth anniversary of the grant.
- This option was granted on March 7, 2019 and will vest as to 25% of the shares underlying the options on the first anniversary of the grant, with the remaining 75% of the shares underlying the options vesting in equal monthly installments thereafter through the fourth anniversary of the grant, subject to continued service.
- This option was granted on February 10, 2020 and will vest as to 25% of the shares underlying the options on the first anniversary of the grant, with the remaining 75% of the shares underlying the options vesting in equal monthly installments thereafter through the fourth anniversary of the grant, subject to continued service.
- This option was granted on March 25, 2020 and will vest as to 25% of the shares underlying the options on the first anniversary of the grant, with the remaining 75% of the shares underlying the options vesting in equal monthly installments thereafter through the fourth anniversary of the grant, subject to continued service.

/s/ David Watson,  
attorney-in-fact for 04/27/2020  
Victoria Brown

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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).

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