FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     O'Brien Stephanie Monaghan						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Apellis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [ APLS ]							cable) or	g Perso	on(s) to Issu 10% Ow	ner	
(Last) C/O APE	`	rst) RMACEUTICA	(Middle) LS, INC.		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2020							Officer below)	(give title		Other (s <sub>i</sub> below)	pecify	
100 FIFTH AVENUE, 3RD FLOOR					If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) WALTHAM MA 02451			02451									X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(Si	ate)	(Zip)														
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution Date			Code (Instr.   5)			ed (A) or tr. 3, 4 and	Beneficia	es Forn ally (D) o Following (I) (Ir		n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
								Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)		1	mod. 4)	
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. Transactio Code (Inst				6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	ite	7. Title and Amour of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$30.62	01/01/2020		A		27,600		(1)	12/31/2029	Common Stock	27,600	\$30.62	27,600		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. This option was granted 01/01/2020. The option vests quarterly over 1 year on the last day of each quarter from grant date.

/s/ David Watson, attorney-in-

fact for Stephanie Monagham

O'Brien

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

01/03/2020

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 4 (b)(v).
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