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*     Grossi Federico						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Apellis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [ APLS ]										eck all appli Directo	ationship of Reporting Pe call applicable) Director Officer (give title below) CHIEF MEDICAI		son(s) to Iss 10% Ov Other (s	vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O APELLIS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 100 FIFTH AVENUE, 3RD FLOOR						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/08/2021										below)			below)	·
(Street) WALTH. (City)			02451 (Zip)		_   4. li	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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										Code	V	Amount	(A) (D)	or F	Price	Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			,
Common Stock 12/08/					3/202	/2021				M		7,000	7,000 A S		\$3.76	71,104			D	
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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)		ı of l		Exp	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		urity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	e s Illy	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)
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Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$3.76	12/08/2021			М			7,000		(1)	02	2/06/2026	Common Stock	7,	000	\$0	3,661	ı	D	

## Explanation of Responses:

1. This option was granted on February 8, 2016 and is fully vested.

/s/ David Watson, attorney-infact for Dr. Federico Grossi 12/09/2021

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

 $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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