FORM 4

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b)

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SCHEIBLER LUKAS			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Apellis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [ APLS ]	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director 10% Owner
(Last) C/O APELLIS 100 FIFTH AV		(Middle) UTICALS, INC.	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/21/2023	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Chief Research Officer
(Street) WALTHAM (City)	MA (State)	02451 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	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 2A. Deemed Execution Date 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature Transaction Form: Direct Beneficially Owned Following (Month/Day/Year) Beneficial 5) (D) or Indirect if any (Month/Day/Year) Code (Instr. 8) (I) (Instr. 4) Ownership Reported (Instr. 4) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) (A) or (D) Price Code Amount Common Stock 02/21/2023 Α 9,886(1) A \$0.00 70,358 D 715(2) D 02/21/2023 \$58.5 Common Stock D 69,643 F

# 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. Transa Code ( 8)				of Expiral (Month Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr.		Expiration Da	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		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)	\$35.46	02/21/2023		A		14,023		(3)	01/20/2032	Common Stock	14,023	\$0.00	14,023	D				

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The Reporting Person was granted performance-based restricted stock units ("PRSUs") on January 21, 2022, the vesting of which was subject to the attainment of each of the following events: (i) the submission of a new drug application ("NDA") for intravitreal pegeetacoplan with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") for the treatment of geographic atrophy secondary to age-related macular degeneration in the second quarter of 2022; (ii) the acceptance of such NDA with priority review by the FDA; and (iii) receipt of approval of the NDA by the FDA by March 15, 2023 (collectively, the "2022 Performance Condition"). On February 21, 2023, the Compensation Committee determined that the 2022 Performance Condition had been achieved, resulting in the vesting of 2,471 shares of common stock, representing 25% of the shares underlying the PRSUs. The remaining shares underlying the PRSUs vest as to 25% on each anniversary of the grant date thereafter, subject to continued service.
- 2. Represents shares withheld by the Company to satisfy tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of PRSUs.
- 3. The Reporting Person was granted performance-based stock options on January 21, 2022, the vesting of which was subject to the attainment of the 2022 Performance Condition. On February 21, 2023, the Compensation Committee determined that the 2022 Performance Condition had been achieved, resulting in the vesting of 25% of the shares underlying the option. The remaining shares underlying the option vest in equal monthly installments thereafter through the fourth anniversary of the grant date, subject to continued service.

### Remarks:

/s/ David Watson, attorney-infact for Lukas Scheibler

02/21/2023

\*\* 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 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).

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