

bluebird bio, Inc.  
Form 4  
June 29, 2015

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**GILLIS STEVEN**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O ARCH VENTURE  
PARTNERS, 8725 WEST HIGGINS  
ROAD, SUITE 290**

(Street)

**CHICAGO, IL 60631**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
**bluebird bio, Inc. [BLUE]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**06/25/2015**

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ 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**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) |   | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |            |           | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V | Amount                                                            | (A) or (D) | Price     |                                                                                               |                                                          |                                                       |
| Common Stock                    | 06/25/2015                           |                                                    | J <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 538,076                                                           | D          | <u>11</u> | 323,675                                                                                       | I                                                        | By ARCH Venture Fund VII, L.P. <sup>(2)</sup>         |
| Common Stock                    | 06/25/2015                           |                                                    | J <sup>(1)(3)</sup>            |   | 11,837                                                            | A          | <u>11</u> | 13,507                                                                                        | D                                                        |                                                       |

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

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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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secur<br>Bene<br>Own<br>Follo<br>Repor<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
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|                                                     |                                                                    |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V (A) (D)                                                                                                          | Date<br>Exercisable                                            | Expiration<br>Date                                                        | Title                                               | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares                                      |

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GILLIS STEVEN  
C/O ARCH VENTURE PARTNERS  
8725 WEST HIGGINS ROAD, SUITE 290  
CHICAGO, IL 60631

X

## Signatures

/s/ Steven Gillis 06/29/2015

\*\*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).

(1) Distribution of Common Stock held by a limited partnership to its partners for no consideration.

These shares are owned directly by ARCH Venture Fund VII, L.P. ("ARCH Fund VII"). The sole general partner of ARCH Fund VII is ARCH Venture Partners VII, L.P. ("ARCH Partners VII"). The sole general partner of ARCH Partners VII is ARCH Venture Partners VII, LLC ("ARCH VII LLC"). The Managing Directors of ARCH VII LLC, Robert T. Nelsen, Keith Crandell and Clinton Bybee, are

(2) deemed to have voting and dispositive power over the shares and may be deemed to beneficially own Fund shares held by ARCH Fund VII. Each Managing Director disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that such Managing Director is the beneficial owner of such securities for Section 16 or any other purpose.

(3) Change from indirect to direct ownership of shares previously reported as beneficially owned by the reporting person Steven Gillis owns an interest in ARCH Partners VII but does not have voting or investment control over the shares held by ARCH Fund VII and disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares, except to the extent of any pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that Steven Gillis is the beneficial owner of such securities for Section 16 or any other purpose.

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