

ARDELYX, INC.
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Shaw Bryan
(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ARDELYX, INC., 34175 ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 200

(Street)

FREMONT, CA 94555

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)
12/01/2016

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ARDELYX, INC. [ARDX]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer Other
(give title below) (specify below)
Chief Accounting Officer

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

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 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)

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

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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 of Derivative Security: Direct (D)

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Date Exercisable Date Expiration Date

Title Amount or Number of

Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	11/21/2026	Common Stock	Shares 33,790	\$ 15.4	or Indirect (1) (Instr. 5) D	(1)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				Other
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Shaw Bryan C/O ARDELYX, INC. 34175 ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 200 FREMONT, CA 94555	(1)	(1)	(1)	Chief Accounting Officer	(1)

Signatures

/s/ Elizabeth Grammer, Attorney-in-Fact for Bryan Shaw	12/16/2016
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Twenty-five percent (25%) of the shares subject to the option vest and become exercisable on the first anniversary measured from November 21, 2016, and the remaining shares subject to the option vest and become exercisable in 36 successive, equal monthly installments thereafter, subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment or service relationship with the Issuer on each such vesting date.

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