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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A Novartis Bi	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AILERON THERAPEUTICS INC [ALRN]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) C/O NOVA INTERNAT AG, WSJ-2	(Month/Day OVARTIS 07/16/201 NATIONAL					ansaction			DirectorX10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Filed(Month/Day/Year) BASEL, V8 CH-4002					_			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								ly Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	Execution any	emed on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (Instr.	8)	4. Securition(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
							()					
Common Stock	07/16/2018			S		300	D	\$ 5.15 (1)	2,543,882	D (2)		

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Novartis Bioventures Ltd C/O NOVARTIS INTERNATIONAL AG WSJ-200.220 BASEL, V8 CH-4002		X				
NOVARTIS AG LICHTSTRASSE 35 BASEL, V8 CH 4056		X				

Signatures

/s/ Bartosz Dzikowski, Secretary of the Board of Novartis Bioventures Ltd					
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				
/s/ Stephan Sandmeier, Authorized Signatory on behalf of Novartis Bioventures Ltd					
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				
/s/ Bartosz Dzikowski, Authorized Signatory on behalf of Novartis AG	07/18/2018				
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				
/s/ Stephan Sandmeier, Authorized Signatory on behalf of Novartis AG	07/18/2018				
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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- Reflects sales of common stock executed in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$5.14 to \$5.16. The price reported reflects the weighted average sale price. The Reporting Persons hereby undertake to provide upon request to the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the sales were effected.
- (2) The shares are directly owned by Novartis Bioventures Ltd. Novartis Bioventures Ltd is a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of Novartis AG, which is an indirect beneficial owner of the reported securities.

Remarks:

Exhibit List - Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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