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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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Geary Richard S						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol IONIS PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ IONS ]									k all app Direc	licable)		rson(s) to Is 10% Ov Other (s	vner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2855 GAZELLE COURT					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/05/2024									<b>V</b>	belov	below) EVP, Chief Dev		below)	·	
(Street) CARLSBAD CA 92010				4. If <i>i</i>	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indi Line)	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person						
(City) (State) (Zip)						Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication  Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.														
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da					y/Year) Exec		Deemed cution Date, ly nth/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securiti Disposed 5)		es Acquired (A) Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		or 4 and		ties cially I Following	Form (D) o	n: Direct r Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or Pri	ce		ed ction(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 08/05/2					2024				S		2,430(1)	D	)   9	<b>\$48</b>	85,508			D		
	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)	if any	emed on Date, /Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of		6. Date Exercis Expiration Date (Month/Day/Ye:		te	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ins 3 and 4)		De Se (In	Price of ivative curity str. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Owner Form: Direct or Indi (I) (Ins	Ownership	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Title	Number of Shares									

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Shares sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Trading Plan adopted by the reporting person on April 8, 2024.

By: Patrick R. O'Neil, 08/06/2024 attorney-in-fact For: Richard

S. Geary

\*\* 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).
- \*\* 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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