FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

<b>STATEMENT</b>	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Baroldi Joseph				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol IONIS PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ IONS ]					[Che	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  X Officer (give title Other (specify					
(Last) 2855 GA	(F ZELLE CO	,	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/31/2022							below)	below) hief Business Officer		
(Street) CARLSI (City)			92010 (Zip)		4. If Amo	endment,	Date o	f Original File	d (Month/Da	y/Year)	6. Inc	Form fi	led by One led by More	Filing (Check A Reporting Perse than One Rep	on
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned															
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D			ate	Execution Date,		Code (Inst	Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) Code (Instr. 5)			5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F Reported	es Fo ally (D Following (I)	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(IIISti. 4)		
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)  3. Transaction Date (Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Cod	ransaction of E ode (Instr. Derivative (M		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  7. Title and Ar of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)		es J Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indire (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)				
				Cod	e V	(A)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$31.8	01/31/2022	01/31/2022	A		86,700		01/31/2023 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/30/2032	Common Stock	86,700	\$0.0	86,700	D D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Grant on 01/31/2022 to reporting person of stock options under the Ionis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Amended and Restated 2011 Equity Incentive Plan. Following this transaction, the option was exercisable as to 0 shares on 01/31/2022. 25% of the shares subject to the option will vest and become exercisable on 01/31/2023. Thereafter, the remaining shares subject to the option will vest and become exercisable in 36 equal monthly installments over the next 3 years.

By: Patrick R. O'Neil, attorneyin-fact For: Joseph T. Baroldi

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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