## 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	dress of Reporting ioventures Lt		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AILERON THERAPEUTICS INC</u> [ ALRN ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director X 10% Owner
(Last) C/O NOVAR WSJ-200.220	(First) TIS INTERNAT	(Middle) TIONAL AG	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/23/2018	<ul> <li>Officer (give title Other (specify below)</li> </ul>
(Street) BASEL (City)	V8 (State)	CH-4002 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person X 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	3. Transa Code ( 8)	ction			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			Code \		Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	07/23/2018		S		30,600	D	<b>\$4.25</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	2,500,782	<b>D</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	
Common Stock	07/24/2018		S		700	D	<b>\$4.11</b> <sup>(3)</sup>	2,500,082	<b>D</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	

 
 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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code ( 8)		of Expira		Expiration Da	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		and 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

	dress of Reporting Perso ioventures Ltd	on*								
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WSJ-200.220										
(Street)										
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)								
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(Street)										
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#### Explanation of Responses:

Reflects sales of common stock executed in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$4.23 to \$4.33. 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.
 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.
 Reflects sales of common stock executed in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$4.04 to \$4.22. 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.

### <u>/s/ Bartosz Dzikowski,</u> <u>Secretary of the Board of</u> 07/2

Novartis Bioventures Ltd

07/25/2018

<u>/s/ Stephan Sandmeier,</u> <u>Authorized Signatory on behalf</u> 07/25/2018 of Novartis Bioventures Ltd

<u>/s/ Bartosz Dzikowski</u>, <u>Authorized Signatory on behalf</u> 07/25/2018 of Novartis AG

/s/ Stephan Sandmeier,

Authorized Signatory on behalf 07/25/2018 of Novartis AG

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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