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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>QVT Associates GP LLC</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Arbutus Biopharma Corp</u> [ABUS]									ionship of Rep all applicable) Director		erson(s) X	to Issuer 10% Ov	vner
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(Last) (First) (Middle) 1177 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/12/2018								below) A below) See remarks					
(Street) 4.						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
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Series A Participating Convertible Preferred Shares	\$7.13 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	01/12/2018		Р		664,0)00 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		(1)(2)	10/16/2	2021 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Common shares, no par value		5,536 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾) \$100 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	1,164	4,000	I	See footnote ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾
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Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents series A participating convertible preferred shares (the "Preferred Shares") purchased by Roivant Sciences Ltd. ("Roivant") for \$100.00 per Preferred Share (the "Purchase Price"), which price is subject to increase to reflect the addition of any unpaid participating cash dividends and unpaid participating in-kind dividends. Subject to earlier conversion at Roivant's option upon the occurrence of certain limited events set forth in the amendment to the Notice of Articles and the Articles of the Issuer (the "Preferred Shares Articles Amendment"), the Preferred Shares mandatorily convert on October 16, 2021, to the extent not already converted, into (i) unpaid accrued participating in-kind dividends and cash for any unpaid accrued cash dividends, as set forth in the Preferred Shares Article Amendment, and (ii) common shares of the Issuer, no par value (the "Common Shares"), which is determined by dividing (a) the Purchase Price,

2. (Continued from Footnote 1) plus an amount equal to 8.75% of the Purchase Price per year, compounded annually, by (ii) the conversion price in effect at the time of conversion. Each Preferred Share is initially convertible based on a conversion price of \$7.13, subject to adjustment for certain distributions and other transactions by the Issuer on or with respect to the Common Shares.

3. The Preferred Shares are directly beneficially owned by Roivant. QVT Financial LP, its general partner, QVT Financial GP LLC, QVT Fund V LP and QVT Associates GP LLC, the general partner of QVT Fund V LP (collectively, "QVT") may be deemed to have beneficial ownership, over the Preferred Shares directly held by Roivant by virtue of the governance arrangements in Roivant's bye-laws, namely the appointment of an independent director (within the meaning of that term under Roivant's bye-laws) to Roivant's board of directors. The filing of this statement shall not be deemed an admission that QVT or Dr. Keith Manchester is the beneficial owner of the securities reported herein for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise.

4. (Continued from Footnote 3) Each of QVT and Dr. Manchester expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein except to the extent of its or his pecuniary interest therein.

Remarks:

QVT may be deemed to be a director by virtue of the fact that Dr. Manchester, on behalf of Roivant, currently serves on the board of directors of the Issuer. Dr. Manchester also holds 91,915 stock options awarded to him, which he holds for the benefit of certain funds under management of QVT Financial LP.

<u>/s/ Tracy Fu</u> ** Signature of Reporting Person 01/16/2018 Date

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

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