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FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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					Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940									hours pe	er respons	se:	0.5
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> <u>Picchio Gaston</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Arbutus Biopharma Corp [ ABUS ]								5. Relationship of Reporti (Check all applicable) Director X Officer (give t		10% Owner		
(Last) C/O ARBUTUS BIOI 701 VETERANS CIR			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/13/2021								Chief Development Officer						
(Street) WARMINSTER (City)	PA (State)	4. If Amend	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							
(City)     (State)     (Zip)       Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. 1 Dat (Mo					2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Dispos (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			isposed Of	sed Of 5. Amount of S Beneficially Ov Following Rep		ned Dire		ership Form: D) or t (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
					(Month/Day/Year)	Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	ce Transaction(s) (I and 4)			3		Ownership (Instr. 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. 3. Transaction Date or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any 4. Transaction Date, 5. Code (Month/Day/Year) if any 5. Code													derivative		10. Ownership Form: Direct	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial	

	Price of Derivative Security	(wonunday) (ear)	(Month/Day/Year)			Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		(Monthinday/Tear)		S and 4)		(Instr. 5)	Beneficially Owned		Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	(1150.4)		
Stock Options	\$4.33	02/13/2021		A		250,000		(1)	02/13/2031	Common Stock	250,000	\$0	250,000	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. The stock option will vest and become exercisable 1/48th each month over the four year period.

Remarks:

/s/ David C. Hastings as attorney-in-fact 02/17/2021 for Gaston Picchio

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

OMB APPROVAL

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

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## POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints the David C. Hastings, David Kille and James List of A
(1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of the Company, the undersigned':
(2) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of the Company, Forms 3, 4 and 5
(3) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to (A) complete and execute any si
(4) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of being the undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing what:
The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorney-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, is not
This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 15th day of August, 2019.

/s/ Gaston Picchio Gaston Picchio