

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Sofia Michael J.</u> _____ (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O ARBUTUS BIOPHARMA CORPORATION</u> <u>701 VETERANS CIRCLE</u> _____ (Street) <u>WARMINSTER PA 18974</u> _____ (City) (State) (Zip)		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Arbutus Biopharma Corp [ABUS]</u>		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director _____ 10% Owner _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) _____ <u>Chief Scientific Officer</u>	
		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/01/2023</u>			
		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> 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 (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			
Common Shares	02/01/2023		A		82,200 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$0	1,385,603	D	
Common Shares								167,162 ⁽²⁾	I	By Trust

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	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						
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$2.9	02/01/2023		A		328,700		(3)	02/01/2033	Common Shares	328,700	\$0	328,700	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Represents the grant of restricted stock units ("RSUs"), which represent a contingent right to receive one common share for each RSU. The RSUs vest in three equal annual installments beginning one year from the grant date, subject to the Reporting Person's continuous service as of each vesting date. Unless otherwise provided, on each vesting date, common shares will automatically be sold to satisfy the Reporting Person's tax withholding obligations in a non-discretionary transaction.
- These shares are owned by the Irrevocable Deed of Trust of Michael J. Sofia dated July 6, 2020 (the "Trust"). The Reporting Person's wife and adult children are both the Trustees and the beneficiaries of the Trust. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by the Trust and the filing of this report is not an admission that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- This option vests over a four-year period, with 1/48th of the shares subject to the option vesting in substantially equal monthly installments measured from one month following the grant date, subject to the Reporting Person's continuous service as of each vesting date.

Remarks:

/s/ David C. Hastings as attorney-in-fact 02/03/2023
for Michael J. Sofia

** 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).

** 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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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's
- (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 bei

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/ Michael J. Sofia
Michael J. Sofia