FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Sofia Michael J.					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Arbutus Biopharma Corp [ ABUS ]								onship of Reporti Il applicable) Director Officer (give ti		10% Ow	ner pecify below)
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ARBUTUS BIOPHARMA CORPORATION 701 VETERANS CIRCLE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/20/2022							Chief Scientific Officer				
(Street) WARMINSTER (City)	PA (State)	18 (Zi	8974 (p)		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. Individ	. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																
Da				Date	Transaction 2A. Deemed Execution Date onth/Day/Year)			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Dispo (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		·	5. Amount of Sec Beneficially Own Following Report	ed Direc	ership Form: (D) or t (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial		
				(			/Day/Year)	Code V	Amo	ount	(A) or (D)		Transaction(s) (Ir and 4)	nstr. 3	t (i) (iiisiii 4)	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. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	e (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (In				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underl	7. Title and Amount of Se Underlying Derivative Se 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
	Cocumy			Code	V (A) (D)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expirat Date	ion Title		Amount or Number of Shares		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	1' '		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$2.81	01/20/2022		A		285,000		(1)	01/20/2	032 Com	mon Shares	285,000	\$2.81	285,000	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

 $\dot{\nu}$  1. These stock options will vest and become exercisable 1/48th each month over the four year period.

## Remarks:

/s/ David C. Hastings as attorney-in-fact 01/20/2022 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.

 $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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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 su
- (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 beronder 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