Instruction 1(b)

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>GARIELI CHRISTOPHER</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ISIS PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ISIS]									elationshi ck all app Direc	olicable)	ng Person(s) to	Issuer Owner	
(Last)	(Fir	First) (Middle)				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/10/2003									Offic belov	er (give title w)	Other below	r (specify v)	
(Street)					- 4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
(City)	(St		(Zip)											Person					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day						Execution Date			3. Transa Code (i 8)		4. Securitie Disposed C				ies cially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or Pr	ice	Reporte Transa (Instr. 3	ction(s)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 07/10/20						003 07/10/2003		:003	S		2,200(1)	I)	5.5	183,8	395 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	I	See Footnotes 2 and 3	
Common Stock 07/11/20						003 07/11/2003		.003	S		14,416 ⁽¹) I	5.	.5616	169,4	179 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	I	See Footnotes 2 and 3	
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. Deer Execution if any (Month/I		Code (In				6. Date Expirati (Month/	ion Da		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		De Se (In		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction((Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Numb of Share						

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The shares sold were held by Bessemer Venture Partners III L.P. (" BVP III"). The reporting person is a General Partner of Deer III & amp; Co., the sole General Partner of BVP III. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership except to the extent of his partnership interest.
- 2. Owned by BVP III. The reporting person is a General Partner of Deer III & partnership interest.
- 3. 740 shares owned indirectly by the Gabrieli Family Foundation, a charitable foundation. The reporting person may be deemed to be a beneficial owner of such shares by viture of his position as Trustee, but disclaims beneficial ownership
- 4. 155,431 shares owned directly

B. Lynne Parshall, by Power of 07/14/2003 **Attorney**

** 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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