## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Monia Brett P						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ISIS PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ ISIS ]									Check all	iship of Repo applicable) irector ifficer (give ti		Person(s) to Is	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ISIS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 2855 GAZELLE COURT						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2015									^ t	elow) `			)
(Street) CARLSBAD CA 92010 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine)  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																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Day						Execution Date,						ties Acquired (A) o d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			nd 5) Se Be Ov	Amount of curities neficially ned Followin	F (C	i. Ownership Form: Direct D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	Amount (A)		Price	Tr	nsaction(s) str. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 07/01/2						2015 07/01/2015		2015	<b>J</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	V	127(1)		A	\$48.586		4,553		D	
Common Stock 07/02/2					/2015 0		07/02/	07/02/2015			198(2)		D	\$56.3		4,355		D	
	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)	ve Conversion Date Execution or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		n Date, Transacti Code (Ins ay/Year)			on of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Exercisable Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr.: and 4)  Amount or Number of Title Shares		nstr. 3 nount mber	8. Price Derivati Securit; (Instr. 5	derivativ	e es ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Reporting 127 shares acquired under the Isis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Amended and Restated 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan on July 1, 2015. These 127 shares may not be sold until January 2, 2016.
- $2. \ The sale reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on 7/1/2014.$

## Remarks:

/s/Brett Monia

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

07/02/2015

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).
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