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*  Swayze Eric  (Last) (First) (Middle)  2855 GAZELLE COURT					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol IONIS PHARMACEUTICALS INC  ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/19/2022								S (Ch	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  EVP Research						
(Street) CARLSI (City)			92010 (Zip)		4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line	dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable )  K 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																			
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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																				
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Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$46.74	09/19/2022			A		1,000		09/19/2	023 <sup>(1)</sup>	09.	)/18/2032		nmon ock	1,000	\$0.0	1,000	)	I	by Son

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Grant on 9/19/2022 to reporting person's son of stock options under the Ionis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Amended and Restated 2011 Equity Incentive Plan. Following this transaction, the option was exercisable as to 0 shares on 9/19/2022. 25% of the shares subject to the option will vest and become exercisable in 36 equal monthly installments over the next 3 years.

By: Patrick R. O'Neil, attorneyin-fact For: Eric Swayze

\*\* 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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