FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Byrd Scott A.			<u>C</u>	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol CADENCE PHARMACEUTICALS INC CADX ]								heck	all applica Director	10% Owner		ner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CADENCE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 12481 HIGH BLUFF DRIVE, STE 200				02	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/10/2014						6	SVP, Chief Commercial Officer						
(Street) SAN DII			92130 (Zip)	4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						ne) X	ridual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  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)																		
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 Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		De Se	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share	s		(Instr. 4)	on(s)		
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	02/10/2014		A		100,000		(2)		(2)	common stock	100,00	0	\$0.00	100,000	0	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock.

2. 25% of the shares subject to the restricted stock unit award shall vest and convert into shares of common stock on each of March 9, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018, subject to the participant's continued status as an Employee, Independent Director or Consultant of the Company, or any Parent or Subsidiary, on the applicable vesting date. In the event that the Company's pending merger with Mallinckrodt plc closes, at the effective time of the merger, these restricted stock units will be converted into a right to receive a cash payment upon vesting equal to the product of the merger consideration, without interest, and the number of shares of the Company's common stock subject to this grant, which we refer to as a "Converted Award." The "Converted Award" will vest in accordance with the original vesting schedule of the restricted stock units, subject to accelerated vesting upon the earlier to occur of (a) September 11, 2014 or (b) certain terminations of the reporting person's employment.

## Remarks:

/s/ Hazel M. Aker, Attorney-in-

fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

02/12/2014

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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