FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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ction Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Davidson David	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol bluebird bio, Inc. [BLUE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O BLUEBIRD BIO, INC., 840 MEMORIAL DRIVE, 4TH FLOOR	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/16/2013	(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) below) Chief Medical Officer				
(Street) CAMBRIDGE MA 02139 (City) (State) (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	 6. 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											
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transac Code (Instr. 8)			spos	Acquired ed of (D) nd 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	12/16/2013		М		15,000	Α	\$ 2.09	15,000	D		
Common Stock	12/16/2013		S ⁽¹⁾		15,000	D	\$ 20.65 ⁽²⁾	0	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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	Transaction Number of Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.09	12/16/2013		м			15,000	(3)	04/13/2022	Common Stock	15,000	\$0	142,239	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on October 14, 2013.

2. The range of prices for the transaction reported on this line was \$20.00 to \$21.41. The average weighted price was \$20.6472. The reporting person will provide, upon request by the SEC, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

3. This option vests over a four-year period, at a rate of twenty-five percent (25%) on February 13, 2013 and in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter.

/s/ Linda C. Bain, Attorney-
in-Fact12/18/2013** Signature of Reporting
PersonDate

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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