FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			or Section So(n) of the investment Company Act of 1940						
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>Richman Michael</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>PIERIS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.</u> [PIRS]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) 255 STATE ST 9TH FLOOR	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/22/2022	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)					
(Street) BOSTON (City)	MA 02109 (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									

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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)		Date	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)						5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial		
						Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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	e (Month/Day/Year)	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 Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative deri Security Sec (Instr. 5) Ben Own	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned	ative Owners rities Form: ficially Direct (D ad Indirect	ship (D) or t (I)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
	Security			Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisat		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	7	Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)		,	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$1.82	06/22/2022		A		40,000		(1)	06	6/22/2032	Common Stock	40,000	\$0	40,00	0 D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. The stock option will vest as to 100% of the underlying shares on the date of the Company's 2023 annual stockholders meeting, subject to the Reporting Person's continued service as a director through the vesting date.

Exhibit List Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

/s/ Ahmed S. Mousa, Attorney-in-Fact 06/24/2022 ** 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).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these present, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Stephen S. Yoder, Ahmed Mousa and Thomas Bures of Pieris Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and each of Megan Gates, Keunjung Cho, Amanda Mei, Aaron Frankel, Brenda Meyette, Anne T. Leland, Robyn Frattali, Emily Spaulding, Tanya Sylla and Nyisha Shakur of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, P.C., signing singly, with full power of substitution, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, forms and authentication documents for EDGAR Filing Access;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such forms and authentication documents;
- (3) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director and/or 10% shareholder of the Company, Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (4) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5 and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (5) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interests of, or legally required by the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed this 23 day of June, 2022.

/s/ Michael Richman Signature

> Michael Richman Print Name