

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Aquilo Capital Management, LLC</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) ONE LETTERMAN DRIVE SUITE D4900, BUILDING D (Street) SAN FRANCISCO CA 94129 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 03/12/2020	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>PIERIS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. [PIRS]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾	5,575,530	I	See footnotes ⁽¹⁾

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Warrants	11/04/2019 ⁽²⁾	11/04/2024 ⁽³⁾	Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	1,126,761	7.1	I	See footnotes ⁽¹⁾

Explanation of Responses:

- The reporting persons are Aquilo Capital Management, LLC ("Aquilo") and Marc R. Schneidman. Aquilo is the general partner and investment adviser of investment funds that hold these securities directly for the benefit of their investors. Aquilo may be deemed to beneficially own such securities indirectly as the investment adviser and general partner of those funds, and Mr. Schneidman may be deemed to beneficially own them indirectly as the control person of Aquilo. Each of Aquilo and Mr. Schneidman disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities except to the extent of his or its pecuniary interest therein.
- The warrants are exercisable at any time, at the holder's election, except that the warrants may not be exercised if, after such exercise, the Reporting Person would beneficially own, as determined in accordance with Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act, more than 9.99% of the number of shares of Common Stock then issued and outstanding.
- The warrants may expire earlier if the Issuer meets certain performance conditions.

Aquilo Capital Management, LLC By: 03/23/2020
Managing Member /s/ Marc Schneidman

** 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 5 (b)(v).

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