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* <u>Kaufmann Hitto</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PIERIS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. [PIRS]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O PIERIS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 255 STATE STREET 9TH FLOOR					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/30/2019							X below) below) SVP, Chief Scientific Officer				
(Street) BOSTON MA 02109 (City) (State) (Zip)				4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Inc Line)	ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
Table I - Non-Deriva 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D					2A. Deemed Execution Date,					a) or 4 and 5	5. Amoun	s Fo lly (D ollowing (I)	orm: Direct) or Indirect (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Table II - De					uired, Dis , options	posed o	f, or Be	nefic		(Instr. 3 a			
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 (Instr.		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)		of Sect Underl Deriva	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Nu	ount mber Shares		(Instr. 4)	5)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$4.65	08/30/2019		A		300,000		(1)	08/30/2029	Commo		0,000	\$0.00	300,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The option vests as to 25% of the option shares on August 30, 2020 and vests as to an additional 6.25% of the option shares at the end of each successive calendar quarter thereafter beginning on December 31,

Remarks:

/s/ Marc D. Mantell, Attorneyin-Fact 09/03/2019

** 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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Stephen S. Yoder, President and Chief Executive Officer of Pieris Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Company"), Allan Reine, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, Ahmed Mousa, General Counsel and Secretary of the Company, and Marc D. Mantell, Brian J. Shea, Christina Bailey, Amanda Mei, Anne T. Leland, Brenda L. Meyette and Jacquelyn Cannata 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:

- (1) 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 on August 29, 2019.

/s/ Hitto Kaufmann, Ph.D. Hitto Kaufmann, Ph.D.