FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* ADAMS JULIAN				<u>P</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PIERIS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. [PIRS]							Relationship neck all appli X Directo	cable) or	g Pers	10% Ov	vner	
	RIS PHARI	MACEUTICAL	(Middle) S, INC.		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/25/2017							below)	(give title		Other (s below)	респу	
255 STATE STREET, 9TH FLOOR (Street) BOSTON MA 02109				4.	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						
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		Tab	le I - Non-E	Derivativ	e Se	curities	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or Be	neficia	lly Owned	l			
Date			Transaction ate Month/Day/Y	Execution Date,		Code (Instr. 5)				Benefici	es ally Following	Form (D) or	Ownership orm: Direct O) or Indirect) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
						Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D) Prid		Transact (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(111501.4)		
	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)	erivative Conversion Date Execution Date, curity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		Code	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 Amour 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) (Instr. 4)		10. 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	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$2.01	01/25/2017		A		20,000		(1)	C	01/25/2027	Common Stock	20,000	\$0.00	20,000)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The stock option will vest in four equal installments on each of March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31, 2017.

Remarks:

/s/ Marc D. Mantell, Attorney-01/30/2017 in-fact

** 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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