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# FORM 4

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| 1. Name and AdBRISTOW I | ^                      | _    | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer |  |  |  |
|-------------------------|------------------------|------|--|--|--|--|--|
|                         |                        |      | ARCA biopharma, Inc. [ABIO]                        | (Check all applicable)                           |  |  |  |
| (Last)                  | Last) (First) (Middle) |      | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction                    |  |  |  |  |
|                         |                        |      | (Month/Day/Year)                                   | X Director 10% Owner                             |  |  |  |
| 11080 CIRC              | LEPOINT                |      | 09/20/2016   | _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify           |  |  |  |
| ROAD, SUITE 140         |                        |      |  | below) below)                                    |  |  |  |
| 110112, 20112 1.0       |                        |      |  | Pres. & Chief Executive Offic                    |  |  |  |
| (Street)                |                        |      | 4. If Amendment, Date Original                     | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check        |  |  |  |
|                         |                        |      | Filed(Month/Day/Year)                              | Applicable Line)                                 |  |  |  |
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#### WESTMINSTER, CO 80020

| (City)                               | (State)                                 | (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |        |   |                  |             |  |   |  |  |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|--------|---|------------------|-------------|--|---|--|--|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | saction Date 2A. Deemed  |        | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |                  |             | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect | 7. Nature of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|                                      |   |  | Code V | Amount  | (A)<br>or<br>(D) | Price       | Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                   | (I)<br>(Instr. 4)                         |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 09/20/2016                              |  | S      | 1,972<br>(1)  | D                | 2.89<br>(2) | 42,638 (3)   | D   |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock                      |   |  |        |   |                  |             | 19,986   | I   | By<br>InvestocorTrust<br>as sole Trustee                       |  |
| Common<br>Stock                      |   |  |        |   |                  |             | 25,459   | I   | By NFS<br>Custodian for<br>Michael<br>Bristow's IRA            |  |

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

| 1. Title of | 2.          | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed         | 4.          | 5.         | 6. Date Exerc | isable and | 7. Titl | e and    | 8. Price of | 9 |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|------------|---------------|------------|---------|----------|-------------|---|
| Derivative  | Conversion  | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | Transaction | orNumber   | Expiration Da | ate        | Amou    | int of   | Derivative  | J |
| Security    | or Exercise |                     | any                | Code        | of         | (Month/Day/   | Year)      | Under   | lying    | Security    | , |
| (Instr. 3)  | Price of    |                     | (Month/Day/Year)   | (Instr. 8)  | Derivative | e             |            | Securi  | ities    | (Instr. 5)  | ] |
|             | Derivative  |                     |                    |             | Securities |               |            | (Instr. | 3 and 4) |             | ( |
|             | Security    |                     |                    |             | Acquired   |               |            |         |          |             | ] |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | (A) or     |               |            |         |          |             | J |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | Disposed   |               |            |         |          |             | - |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | of (D)     |               |            |         |          |             | ( |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | (Instr. 3, |               |            |         |          |             |   |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | 4, and 5)  |               |            |         |          |             |   |
|             |             |                     |                    |             |            |               |            |         | A        |             |   |
|             |             |                     |                    |             |            |               |            |         | Amount   |             |   |
|             |             |                     |                    |             |            | Date          | Expiration | m: .1   | or       |             |   |
|             |             |                     |                    |             |            | Exercisable   | Date       |         | Number   |             |   |
|             |             |                     |                    | C 1 17      | (A) (D)    |               |            |         | of       |             |   |
|             |             |                     |                    | Code V      | (A) (D)    |               |            |         | Shares   |             |   |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                                     |       |  |  |  |  |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| <b>Fg</b> 0 m 1 m   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                             | Other |  |  |  |  |
| BRISTOW MICHAEL R<br>11080 CIRCLEPOINT ROAD<br>SUITE 140<br>WESTMINSTER, CO 80020 | X             |           | Pres. & Chief<br>Executive<br>Offic |       |  |  |  |  |

## **Signatures**

/s/ Brian L. Selby, Attorney-in-Fact 09/21/2016

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Da

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* 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).
- Represents shares of common stock sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Plan adopted by the Reporting Person with respect to the vesting of previously reported Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") granted to the Reporting Person under the Issuer's 2013 Amended and Restated Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan")
- The price represents the weighted average sale price for multiple transactions reported on this line. The prices of the transactions ranged (2) from \$2.88 to \$2.89. Upon request of the SEC staff, ARCA biopharma, Inc. (the "Company") or a security holder of the Company, the reporting person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (3) Includes (i) remaining 4,050 previously reported shares issued as RSUs under the Plan that vest in two equal annual installments beginning on 2/27/17, and (ii) 4,581 previously reported shares issued as RSUs under the Plan that vest in two equal annual installments

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beginning 4/2/17, provided that the Reporting Person's continuous service to the Issuer has not been terminated as defined under the Plan; and 34,007 previously reported shares of common stock held directly.

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