Instruction 1(b)

FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person (Check all applicable) Akebia Therapeutics, Inc. [ AKBA ] Dahan Michel Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) below) below) (First) (Middle) (Last) 05/13/2024 SVP, Chief Operating Officer C/O AKEBIA THERAPEUTICS, INC. 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable 245 FIRST STREET Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person X (Street) Form filed by More than One Reporting CAMBRIDGE MA 02142 Person Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication (City) (State) (Zip) Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10. Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature Form: Direct (D) or Indirect of Indirect Beneficial Execution Date, Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and Securities Beneficially (Month/Day/Year) Code (Instr. if any 5) Owned Following (Month/Day/Year) 8) (I) (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Transaction(s) (A) or (D) Price Code Amount (Instr. 3 and 4) 05/13/2024 34,840(1)(2) Common Stock  $\mathbf{S}$ D \$1.26 672,092 D 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	3. Transaction Date (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)		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				

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. This sale was made automatically by the Issuer to cover tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting and settlement of one-third of the reporting person's restricted stock units granted on
- 2. This sale was made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on December 3, 2023.

## Remarks:

/s/ Carolyn Rucci, attorney-in-

05/14/2024

fact for Michel Dahan \*\* 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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