

bluebird bio, Inc.  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Leschly Nick

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O BLUEBIRD BIO, INC., 150  
SECOND STREET  
(Street)

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02141

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
bluebird bio, Inc. [BLUE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/07/2015

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	Price	
Common Stock	12/07/2015		M		32,391	A \$ 2.0864	278,912 D
Common Stock	12/07/2015		M		28,994	A \$ 2.0864	307,906 D
Common Stock	12/07/2015		M		5,335	A \$ 5.5004	313,241 D
Common Stock	12/08/2015		P		4,901	A \$ 51.2473	12,405 I
	12/08/2015		P		4,781	A	17,186 I

Nick Leschly  
2001 Trust

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Common Stock	\$ 52.2576	Nick Leschly 2001 Trust
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 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)	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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.5004	12/07/2015		M	5,335	<u>(1)</u> 01/16/2023	Common Stock	5,335
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.0864	12/07/2015		M	32,391	<u>(2)</u> 07/13/2021	Common Stock	32,391
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.0864	12/07/2015		M	28,994	<u>(3)</u> 06/04/2022	Common Stock	28,994

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Leschly Nick C/O BLUEBIRD BIO, INC. 150 SECOND STREET CAMBRIDGE, MA 02141	X		President and CEO	

## Signatures

/s/ Jason F. Cole,  
Attorney-in-Fact

12/09/2015

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## 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).

- This option to purchase shares of our common stock granted on January 16, 2013 with performance-based vesting criteria that were met as of January 1, 2013. The shares underlying these options vested as follows: 25% vested on January 1, 2014, with the remainder of the shares vesting in equal monthly installments over the following three years.
- (1) This option vests over a four-year period, at a rate of twenty-five percent (25%) on April 15, 2012 and in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter
  - (2) This option vests over a four-year period, at a rate of twenty-five percent (25%) on May 1, 2013 and in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter.
  - (3) This option vests over a four-year period, at a rate of twenty-five percent (25%) on May 1, 2013 and in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter.

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