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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(City)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Bucher James B Issuer Symbol ALDER BIOPHARMACEUTICALS

(Check all applicable) INC [ALDR]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below)

11804 NORTH CREEK PARKWAY 11/25/2018 Sr. VP & General Counsel **SOUTH**

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

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

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6. Ownership 7. Nature of 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) **Following** (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common $A^{(1)}$ 05/31/2018 D 2,000 3,623 9.35 Stock

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)

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.24	11/25/2018		A	70,000	(2)	11/24/2028	Common Stock	70,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Bucher James B 11804 NORTH CREEK PARKWAY SOUTH BOTHELL, WA 98011

Sr. VP & General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ James B. 11/27/2018 Bucher

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).
- (1) The shares were acquired under the Issuer's 2014 Employee Stock Purchase Plan on May 31, 2018 in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c).

25% of the total number of shares subject to the option shall vest on the one-year anniversary of November 25, 2018 (the "Vesting Commencement Date") and thereafter 1/48th of the total number of shares subject to the option shall vest on the monthly anniversary.

(2) Commencement Date") and thereafter 1/48th of the total number of shares subject to the option shall vest on the monthly anniversary of the Vesting Commencement Date, subject to the Reporting Person's continuous service to the Issuer through each applicable vesting date.

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