

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Siffert Joao MD		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ABEONA THERAPEUTICS INC. [ABEO]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Chief Executive Officer	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1330 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS,, 33RD FLOOR		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/16/2020			
(Street) NEW YORK, NY 10019		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City) (State) (Zip)					

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	(A) or (D)	Price			

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Employee Stock Option (right to buy) (2)	\$ 1.45	03/16/2020		A	127,704	(1)	03/16/2030	Common Stock	\$ 0	127,704	D	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Siffert Joao MD 1330 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, 33RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019	X		Chief Executive Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Joao Siffert	03/18/2020
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>	<small>Date</small>

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 options will vest 25% on March 16, 2021, and in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter.

(2) Contingent upon stockholder approval of an amendment to the 2015 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2015 Plan") at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders scheduled for May 20, 2020 to increase the number of shares available under the 2015 Plan, Mr. Siffert will also be entitled to an additional grant of 72,296 stock options and a grant of 100,000 shares of restricted stock as soon as practicable after the amendment of the 2015 Plan. The stock options contingent upon stockholder approval will have an exercise price determined at the grant date.

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