FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* GARCIA PETER S						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DURECT CORP [DRRX]									k all applica	tionship of Reporting Person(s) to Issu all applicable) Director 10% Own					
(Last)	,	ïrst)	(Middle)		- 1	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/13/2021										Officer (give title			specify		
C/O DURECT CORPORATION 10260 BUBB ROAD					4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line)							
(Street) CUPERTINO CA 95014												X	Form filed by More than One Reporting Person								
(City)	(S	itate)	(Zip)																		
		Table I -	Non-D	erivat	ive Se	ecu	ırities	Ac	quired,	Dis	posed	of, or	Ве	nefic	ially Ov	vned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Date)					Ex	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4				Securities Beneficial Owned Fo	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
										v	Amount	(A) o	r	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)		
		Table						-	uired, D option:	-					-	ed					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution any (Month/D	n Date, if	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		ofSecuritie		ties ng re Se	curity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transaction	e Co s F ally D o g (I	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Exp	oiration te	Title	0 N 0	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)					
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$0.98	12/13/2021			A		70,000		(1)	12	/13/2031	Commor Stock	7	70,000	\$0.00	70,00	00	D			

Explanation of Responses:

1. The option will vest and become exercisable in installments of one-third of the total number of shares on each anniversary of the grant date.

Remarks:

/s/ Peter S. Garcia

12/14/2021

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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