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1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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				or Sectio	on 30	(h) of t	he Inve	estm	ent	Company Act of	1940								
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* First Eagle Investment Management,					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DURECT CORP [DRRX]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director X 10% Owner						
LLC				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2019									Director X Officer (give title below)				Otl	mer (specify ow)	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS 48TH FLOOR					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting						
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Commo	n Stock ⁽¹⁾	09/01/2019				J ⁽²⁾	(2)		26,476,546 ⁽²⁾	D	\$	0	0(2	2)		ı	See Footnote ⁽³		
		Table II	- Derivative (e.g., puts, o				-			-				-	wned	i			
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(Last) (First) 1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERIC 48TH FLOOR			(Middle)																
(Street)		NY	10105																
(City)		(State)	(Zip)																
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First Eagle Holdings, Inc.																			
(Last)		(First)	(Middle)																

(Street)			-
NEW YORK	NY	10105	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. This Form 4 is filed by First Eagle Investment Management, LLC ("FEIM") and First Eagle Holdings, Inc. ("FEHI" and, collectively with FEIM, the "Entities"). The Entities disclaim status as a "group" for purposes of this Form 4.
- 2. On September 1, 2019, the family office personnel of FEIM, including Messrs. Michael M. Kellen and Andrew Gundlach, separated their investment management business from that of FEIM, transferring their family's advisory client accounts, including the securities of the Company which were formerly controlled by FEIM, to the newly formed U.S. registered advisory firm named Bleichroeder LP. Accordingly, as of September 1, 2019, (i) none of the Entities nor any Entity account maintains any discretionary or proxy voting authority or pecuniary interest with respect to, any securities of the Company and (ii) no Entity could be deemed to beneficially own any securities of the Company.
- 3. The shares of Common Stock reported herein were indirectly beneficially owned by FEHI, a Delaware corporation, and FEIM, a Delaware limited liability company and an investment adviser registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940. FEIM (i) was the general partner of 21 April Fund, LP ("April LP"), (ii) was the registered investment adviser to First Eagle Value in Biotechnology Master Fund, Ltd. as well as to April LP and 21 April Fund, Ltd. (collectively, the "Funds"), and (iii) is a subsidiary of FEHI. FEHI disclaimed beneficial ownership of the shares of Common Stock held directly by the Funds except to the extent, if any, of its pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that FEHI is the beneficial owner of any such securities.

FIRST EAGLE HOLDINGS, INC., By: /s/ David 09/04/2019 O'Connor, General Counsel and Secretary FIRST EAGLE INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT, LLC, By: /s/ David O'Connor, Senior Vice **President**

** 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).
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