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FORM 4

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Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Dugel Pravin						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERIC bio, Inc. [ISEE]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
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(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O IVERIC BIO, INC.				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/11/2023										Officer (below)	Jechy							
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Restricted Stock Units	(2)	07/11/2023			D			8,625	(3)		(3)		Common Stock {			(3)	0		D			
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	07/11/2023			D			50,000	(3)		(3)	Common Stock				(3)	0		D			
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	07/11/2023			D			37,500	(3)		(3)	Comr		37,50	0	(3)	0		D			
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	07/11/2023			D			70,000	(3)		(3)	Comr		70,00	0	(3)	0		D			
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	07/11/2023			D			27,500	(3)		(3)	Common Stock 27,		27,50	0	(3)		0 1				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$3.16	07/11/2023			D			300,000	(4)	03	3/31/2030	Comr		300,00	00	(4)	0		D			
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$7.5	07/11/2023			D			110,000	(4)	12	2/17/2030	Comr		110,00	0	(4)	0		D			
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$7.17	07/11/2023			D			35,000	(4)	05	5/02/2031	Comr		35,00	0	(4)	0		D			
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$14.83	07/11/2023			D			100,000	(4)	12	2/16/2031	Comr		100,00	00	(4)	0		D			
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$22.57	07/11/2023			D			140,000	(4)	12	2/19/2032	Comr		140,00	00	(4)	0		D			

Explanation of Responses:

^{1.} On July 11, 2023, pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement"), dated April 28, 2023, by and among IVERIC bio, Inc. ("IVERIC"), Astellas US Holding, Inc., Berry Merger Sub, Inc. ("Merger Sub") and, solely as provided by Section 8.10(b) of the Merger Agreement, Astellas Pharma Inc. ("Astellas"), Merger Sub merged with and into IVERIC, with IVERIC surviving the merger and becoming an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Astellas (the "Merger"). At the effective time of the Merger (the "Effective Time"), each share of IVERIC common stock ("Common Stock") reported in this Form 4 was automatically cancelled and was converted into the right to receive \$40.00 in cash, without interest and less any applicable withholding taxes.

^{2.} Each IVERIC restricted stock unit ("RSU") represented the contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock upon vesting of the RSU.

^{3.} Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, at the Effective Time, each RSU reported in this Form 4 was cancelled and converted into the right to receive a cash payment (subject to any applicable tax withholding) equal to (1) \$40.00, multiplied by (2) the number of shares of Common Stock subject to such RSU.

4. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, at the Effective Time, each option to acquire Common Stock ("IVERIC Option") reported in this Form 4 which had a per share exercise price less than \$40.00 was cancelled and converted into the right to receive a cash payment (subject to any applicable tax withholding) equal to (1) the excess of \$40.00 over the exercise price per share of Common Stock underlying such IVERIC Option, multiplied by (2) the total number of shares of Common Stock subject to such IVERIC Option immediately prior to the Effective Time (without regard to vesting). Each IVERIC Option reported in this Form 4 which had a per share exercise price \$40.00 or greater was cancelled with no consideration payable in respect thereof.

/s/ Todd D.C. Anderman, as Attorney-in-Fact for Pravin U. 07/13/2023 Dugel

** 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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