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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  BVF PARTNERS L P/IL  2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 10/01/2020		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Novus Therapeutics, Inc. [ NVUS ]						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 44 MONTGOMERY STREET 40TH FL			Relationship of Reports Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director     Officer (give)	orting f	, ,	ner 6.	If Amendment, [ed (Month/Day/\) Individual or Joinheck Applicable	rear) nt/Group Filing
(Street) SAN FRANCISCO CA 94104			title below)		below)		Form filed b Person	y One Reporting y More than One
(City) (State) (Zip)								
	Table I - N	Non-Deriva	ative Securities Ben	nefici	ally Ow	ned		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (In: 4)		3. Owner Form: Dir (D) or Inc (I) (Instr.	rect Ow lirect	ature of Indired nership (Instr. 5	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>			102,400(5)		D <sup>(2)</sup>	)		
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>			77,936 <sup>(5)</sup>		D <sup>(3)</sup>	)		
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>			13,595(5)		D <sup>(4)</sup>	)		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	3. Title and Amount of S Underlying Derivative S 4)			4. Conversio or Exercis Price of	Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title		unt or ber of es	Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Series X Convertible Preferred <sup>(1)</sup>	(6)	(6)	Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	15	,167 <sup>(5)</sup>	(6)	D <sup>(2)</sup>	
Series X Convertible Preferred <sup>(1)</sup>	(6)	(6)	Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	11	,278(5)	(6)	D <sup>(3)</sup>	
Series X Convertible Preferred <sup>(1)</sup>	(6)	(6)	Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	1,	944 <sup>(5)</sup>	(6)	D <sup>(4)</sup>	
Series X1 Convertible Preferred Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	(7)	(7)	Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	3,55	1,159(5)	(7)	D <sup>(2)</sup>	
Series X1 Convertible Preferred Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	(7)	(7)	Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	2,71	4,564 <sup>(5)</sup>	(7)	D <sup>(3)</sup>	
Series X1 Convertible Preferred Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	(7)	(7)	Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	473	3,038(5)	(7)	D <sup>(4)</sup>	
Warrants to Purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	(8)	07/14/2025	Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	79	,500(5)	0.72	D <sup>(2)</sup>	
Warrants to Purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	(8)	07/14/2025	Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	64	,549 <sup>(5)</sup>	0.72	D <sup>(3)</sup>	
Warrants to Purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	(8)	07/14/2025	Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	11	,416 <sup>(5)</sup>	0.72	D <sup>(4)</sup>	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)							
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of S Underlying Derivative S 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date			Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	Ownership (Instr. 5)
Warrants to Purchase Series X1 Convertible Preferred Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	(9)	09/14/2025	Series X1 Convertible Preferred Stock, \$0.001 par value	26,156(10)	497.93	D <sup>(2)</sup>	
Warrants to Purchase Series X1 Convertible Preferred Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	(9)	09/14/2025	Series X1 Convertible Preferred Stock, \$0.001 par value	19,563(10)	497.93	D <sup>(3)</sup>	
Warrants to Purchase Series X1 Convertible Preferred Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	(9)	09/14/2025	Series X1 Convertible Preferred Stock, \$0.001 par value	3,402(10)	497.93	D <sup>(4)</sup>	
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person	n*		,		,	,	,
(Last) (First) 44 MONTGOMERY STREET 40TH FL	(Middle)						
(Street) SAN FRANCISCO CA	94104						

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<u>LP</u>

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## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. This Form 3 is filed jointly by Biotechnology Value Fund, L.P. ("BVF"), Biotechnology Value Fund II, L.P. ("BVF2"), Biotechnology Value Trading Fund OS LP ("Trading Fund OS"), BVF Partners OS Ltd. ("Partners OS"), BVF I GP LLC ("BVF GP"), BVF II GP LLC ("BVF2 GP"), BVF GP Holdings LLC ("BVF GPH"), BVF Partners L.P. ("Partners"), BVF Inc. and Mark N. Lampert (collectively, the "Reporting Persons"). Each of the Reporting Persons is a member of a Section 13(d) group. Each of the Reporting Persons disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein except to the extent of his or its pecuniary interest therein.
- 2. Securities owned directly by BVF. As the general partner of BVF, BVF GP may be deemed to beneficially own the securities owned directly by BVF. As the sole member of BVF GP, BVF GPH may be deemed to beneficially own securities owned directly by BVF. As the investment manager of BVF, Partners may be deemed to beneficially own the securities owned directly by BVF. As the investment adviser and general partner of Partners, BVF Inc. may be deemed to beneficially own the securities owned directly by BVF. As a director and officer of BVF Inc., Mr. Lampert may be deemed to beneficially own the securities owned directly by BVF.
- 3. Securities owned directly by BVF2. As the general partner of BVF2, BVF2 GP may be deemed to beneficially own the securities owned directly by BVF2. As the sole member of BVF2 GP, BVF GPH may be deemed to beneficially own securities owned directly by BVF2. As the investment manager of BVF2, Partners may be deemed to beneficially own the securities owned directly by BVF2. As the investment adviser and general partner of Partners, BVF Inc. may be deemed to beneficially own the securities owned directly by BVF2. As a director and officer of BVF Inc., Mr. Lampert may be deemed to beneficially own the securities owned directly by BVF2.
- 4. Securities owned directly by Trading Fund OS. As the general partner of Trading Fund OS, Partners OS may be deemed to beneficially own the securities owned directly by Trading Fund OS. As the investment manager of Trading Fund OS and the sole member of Partners OS, Partners may be deemed to beneficially own the securities owned directly by Trading Fund OS. As the investment adviser and general partner of Partners, BVF Inc. may be deemed to beneficially own the securities owned directly by Trading Fund OS. As a director and officer of BVF Inc., Mr. Lampert may be deemed to beneficially own the securities owned directly by Trading Fund OS.
- 5. Reflects a one-for-eighteen reverse stock split of the Issuer's issued and outstanding Common Stock, effective as of October 5, 2020 (the "Stock Split").
- 6. The Series X Convertible Preferred Stock may not be exercised if, after such exercise, the Reporting Persons would beneficially own, as determined in accordance with Section 13(d), more than 9.99% of the shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to such exercise. Each share of Series X Convertible Preferred Stock is convertible into 1,000 shares of Common Stock. The Series X Convertible Preferred Stock does not have an expiration date and is subject to certain adjustments pursuant to the Certificate of Designations of Series X Convertible Preferred Stock filed as Exhibit 3.1 to Form 8-K filed by the Issuer with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 19, 2020.
- 7. The Series X1 Convertible Preferred Stock may not be exercised if, after such exercise, the Reporting Persons would beneficially own, as determined in accordance with Section 13(d), more than 9.99% of the shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to such exercise. Each share of Series X1 Convertible Preferred Stock is convertible into 1,000 shares of Common Stock. The Series X1 Convertible Preferred Stock does not have an expiration date and is subject to certain adjustments pursuant to the Certificate of Designations of Series X1 Convertible Preferred Stock filed as Exhibit 3.1 to Form 8-K filed by the Issuer with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 15, 2020.
- 8. Pursuant to a warrant exercise agreement between the Issuer and the Reporting Persons, the Company issued to the Reporting Persons warrants to purchase shares of Common Stock at an exercise price of \$0.72 per share, with an exercise period of five and a half years (July 14, 2025). The warrants are subject to adjustment in the event of stock splits, recapitalizations and other similar events affecting the Common Stock. The warrants cannot be exercised by the Reporting Persons if, after giving effect thereto, the Reporting Persons would beneficially own, as determined in accordance with Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, more than 9.99% of Common Stock, subject to certain exceptions
- 9. Pursuant to a purchase agreement between the Issuer and the Reporting Persons, the Company issued to the Reporting Persons warrants to purchase shares of the Series X1 Convertible Preferred Stock at an exercise price of \$497.93 per share, with an exercise period of five years (September 14, 2025). Each warrant to purchase shares of the Series X1 Convertible Preferred Stock is convertible into 1 share of Series X1 Convertible Preferred Stock, which is convertible into 1,000 shares of Common Stock. The warrants are subject to adjustment in the event of stock splits, recapitalizations and other similar events affecting the Common Stock. The warrants cannot be exercised by the Reporting Persons if, after giving effect thereto, the Reporting Persons would beneficially own, as determined in accordance with Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, more than 9.99% of Common Stock, subject to certain exceptions.
- 10. Pursuant to the Stock Split, the Common Stock underlying the Series X1 Convertible Preferred Stock that is underlying the warrants to purchase the Series X1 Convertible Preferred Stock held by BVF, BVF2 and Trading Fund OS is 1,453,117; 1,086,823; and 189,022, respectively.

BVF Partners L.P., By: BVF Inc., its general 10/05/2020 partner, By: /s/ Mark N. Lampert, President Biotechnology Value Fund, L.P., By: BVF Partners L.P., its investment manager, By: 10/05/2020 BVF Inc., its general partner, By: /s/ Mark N. <u>Lampert, President</u> BVF I GP LLC, By: BVF 10/05/2020 GP HOLDINGS LLC. its sole member, By: /s/ Mark

N. Lampert, Chief **Executive Officer** 

Biotechnology Value Fund

II, L.P., By: BVF Partners

L.P., its investment

manager, By: BVF Inc., its 10/05/2020

general partner, By: /s/

Mark N. Lampert,

<u>President</u>

BVF II GP LLC, By: BVF

GP HOLDINGS LLC, its

sole member, By: /s/ Mark 10/05/2020

N. Lampert, Chief

**Executive Officer** 

BVF Partners OS Ltd., By:

BVF Partners L.P., its sole

member, By: BVF Inc., its 10/05/2020

general partner, By: /s/

Mark N. Lampert,

President

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Trading Fund OS LP, By:

BVF Partners L.P., its

investment manager, BVF 10/05/2020

Inc., its general partner,

By: /s/ Mark N. Lampert,

President

BVF GP Holdings LLC,

By: /s/ Mark N. Lampert, 10/05/2020

**Chief Executive Officer** 

BVF Inc., By: /s/ Mark N.

Lampert, President

10/05/2020

/s/ Mark N. Lampert

10/05/2020

\*\* Signature of Reporting

Date

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

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<sup>\*</sup> If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).

<sup>\*\*</sup> Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).