

Bertrand William C JR
 Form 4
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Bertrand William C JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Adaptimmune Therapeutics PLC
 [ADAP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 21729 BRINK MEADOW LANE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/14/2019

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Chief Operating Officer

GERMANTOWN, MD 20876

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 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) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| American Depositary Shares representing Ordinary Shares ⁽¹⁾ | 01/14/2019 | | S | V Amount (D) 2,271 | \$ 5.3694 3,731 ⁽³⁾ | D | |

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. Nu Deriv Secur Benef Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| | | | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Bertrand William C JR 21729 BRINK MEADOW LANE GERMANTOWN, MD 20876 | | | Chief Operating Officer | |

Signatures

/s/ William Charles Bertrand 01/16/2019

Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).

Each American Depositary Share ("ADS") represents six ordinary shares, nominal value GBP 0.001 per ordinary share, of the Issuer. The ADSs were obtained from the exercise of approximately 25% of an RSU-style share option covering ordinary shares of the Issuer granted on January 12, 2018 and which vested on January 12, 2019. Once vested, the RSU-style options must be exercised within a restricted (1) period or they are forfeited. The exercise of the portion of these RSU-style share options and the sale reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Sell to Cover exercise implemented automatically in accordance with the Issuer's option plan, under which sufficient ADSs were sold by the Issuer to satisfy the Reporting Person's tax withholding obligations and associated sale costs. The residual ADSs are held by the Reporting Person.

(2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These ADSs were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$5.21 to \$5.70, inclusive. Upon request, the Reporting Person undertakes to provide the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission full information regarding the ADSs sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.

(3) The ADSs reported in this Column 5 represent solely those residual ADSs held by the Reporting Person which result from the Sell to Cover exercise transaction reported on this Form 4. Additionally, the Reporting Person holds RSU-style options and other options covering an aggregate of 5,391,864 ordinary shares of the Issuer.

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