FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## ATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Levy Howard  |   |  |  |                                   | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CATALYST BIOSCIENCES, INC. [ CBIO ] |   |   |                           |   |        |                    |   |   | 5. Re<br>Che   | ck all app<br>Direc<br>Office                                     | licable)<br>tor<br>er (give title   |  |   | Owner<br>(specify                       |
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| (Last)<br>611 GAT                                   | `   | (First) (Middle) WAY BOULEVARD, SUITE 710  |  |                                   |   | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/09/2021 |   |                           |   |        |                    |   |   |  | below   | η<br>Chief Me   | edical (                                   | below<br>Officer  | "                                       |
| (Street)<br>SOUTH<br>FRANCE                         | ( ' /   | A 9  | 4080                                       |                                   | 4. If <i>i</i>  | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)    |   |                           |   |        |                    |   |   | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Fi<br>Line)  X Form filed by One Ri<br>Form filed by More the |   |   |  | orting Pe   | rson                                    |
| (City)  | (St   |  | Zip)                                       |                                   |   |   |   |                           |   |        |                    |   |   |  |   |   |  |   |   |
|   |   |  | I - No                                     |                                   |   |   |   |                           | _   | l, Dis | sposed of          |   |   | _  | _   |   | 1  |   |   |
| Date  |   | Date                                       | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                                   | Execution Date,   |   |   |                           | 4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5) |        |                    | and Securities Beneficially Owned Following |   |  | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) |   | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |   |   |
|   |   |  |  |                                   |   |   |   | Code                      | v   | Amount | (A) or<br>(D)      | Price                                       |   | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)   |   |   |  | (Instr. 4)  |   |
| Common  | Stock   |  |  | 08/09/2                           | 021   | 021   |   |                           | P   | V      | 639(1)             | A   | \$3.6   | 52   | 2 639   |   | D  |   |   |
| Common Stock  |   |  |  |                                   |   |   |   |                           |   |        |                    |   |   | 23,  | 390   |   | I  | By Howard and Gillian Levy Revocable Trust dated November 21, 1994    |   |
|   |   | Tal  | ble II -                                   |                                   |   |   |   |                           | -   |        | osed of, o         |   |   | -  | Owne  | d   |  |   |   |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | if any                                     | emed<br>tion Date,<br>n/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8)  |   | of<br>Deriv<br>Secu<br>Acqu<br>(A) o<br>Dispe | r<br>osed<br>)<br>r. 3, 4 | 6. Date Exercisable and Fxpiration Date (Month/Day/Year) U    |        |                    |   | and<br>nt of<br>ties<br>lying<br>tive<br>ty (Instr. | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)  |   | 9. Number<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficia<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transacti<br>(Instr. 4) | e<br>s<br>ally<br>g                        | 10.<br>Ownershi<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirec<br>(I) (Instr. 4 | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>t (Instr. 4) |
|   |   |  |  |                                   | Code  | v   | (A)   | (D)                       | Date<br>Exerci  | sable  | Expiration<br>Date |   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares              |  |   |   |  |   |   |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Shares purchased under the Issuer's 2018 Employee Stock Purchase Plan on August 9, 2021.

## Remarks:

/s/ Seline Miller, Attorney-in-

08/11/2021

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

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The undersigned as a Section 16 reporting person of Catalyst Biosciences, Inc. (the "Company"), hereby constitutes and appoints each of Nassim Usman, Clinton J. Musil, Faisal Shawwa and Seline Miller, signing singly, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- 1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer of the Company, Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- 2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and any securities exchange or similar authority; and
- 3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to the attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned also ratifies hereby any action previously taken by the attorney-in-fact that would have been authorized by this power of attorney if it has been in effect at the time such action was taken. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorney-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, is not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of 7/17/2021.

/s/ Howard Levy Name: Howard Levy