Instruction 1(b)

FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*            |   |  |   |         | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 89bio, Inc. [ ETNB ] |              |  |                   |                         |   |                        |  |   |   | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) |   |        |  |  |  |
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| Waisbo  | ourd Ram  |  |   |         | 103  | <u>, 010</u> | <u>, 1110.</u> [   | EIN               | ъ]                      |   |                        |  |   | 1,                                      | Directo   | ,   |        | 10% Ov   | vner   |  |
|   |   |  |   |         |  |              |  |                   |                         |   |                        |  |   |   | X Officer below)  | (give title   |        | Other (s   | specify  |  |
| (Last)<br>C/O 89B                                   | ,   | irst)                                      | (Middle)  |         | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/05/2021      |              |  |                   |                         |   |                        |  | See Remarks                                       |   |   |   |        |  |  |  |
| 142 SAN   | SOME ST   | REET, 2ND FLO                              | OOR   |         |  |              |  |                   |                         |   |                        |  |   |   |   |   |        |  |  |  |
| (Street)  | et)   |  |   |         |  |              | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                                       |                   |                         |   |                        |  |   |   | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)             |   |        |  |  |  |
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|   |   | Tab  | ole I - Non                                       | -Deriv  | ativ   | e Se         | curities   | s Acc             | quired,                 | Disp  | osed o                 | f, oı  | r Bene  | eficial                                 | y Owned   |   |        |  |  |  |
| Date  |   | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |   | ear)    | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year)      |              | , Transaction Code (Instr.   |                   |                         |   |                        | Securitie<br>Benefici<br>Owned F                                   | Securities I<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following ( |   | n: Direct<br>r Indirect<br>istr. 4)                                     | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership   |        |  |  |  |
|   |   |  |   |         |  |              |  |                   | Code                    | v   | Amount                 |  | (A) or<br>(D)                                     | Price                                   | Transact  | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)  |        |  | (Instr. 4)   |  |
| Common Stock 02/                                    |   |  |   | 02/05   | 05/2021  |              |  |                   | <b>A</b> <sup>(1)</sup> |   | 4,000 <sup>(1)</sup> A |  | A   | \$0.0                                   | ) 4,  | 4,000   |        | D  |  |  |
|   |   | -  | Table II - I                                      |         |  |              |  |                   |                         |   | sed of,<br>onvertil    |  |   |   | Owned   |   | ,      |  |  |  |
| 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) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution E<br>if any<br>(Month/Day | Date, T | ransa<br>ode (l  |              | 5. Numl<br>of<br>Derivati<br>Securiti<br>Acquire<br>(A) or<br>Dispose<br>of (D) (I<br>3, 4 and | ed<br>ed<br>nstr. | Expiration<br>(Month/Da | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year) |                        | of Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Secu<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |   | ecurity<br>4)<br>Amount<br>or<br>Jumber | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)                     | 9. Number<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficial<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transactio<br>(Instr. 4) | illy   | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

\$23.01

1. Performance stock units vest with respect to 4,000 shares in three equal installments on the first, second and third anniversaries of February 5, 2021, subject to the achievement of specified milestone events and the Reporting Person's continued service to the Issuer.

(2)

02/05/2031

32,500

2. This option represents a right to purchase a total of 32,500 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock, one quarter of which will vest on February 5, 2022, with the remaining three quarters vesting in equal quarterly installments over the following three years, subject to the Reporting Person's continued service to the Issuer.

## Remarks:

Stock Option (Right to

Chief Operating Officer and Chief Business Officer

/s/ Ryan A. Murr, as attorneyin-fact for Ram Waisbourd

32,500

Stock

\$0.00

02/09/2021

32,500

D

\*\* 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).

02/05/2021

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