

# FORM 4

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

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|--|--|---|--|---|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *<br>Thompson Peter A.                             |  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br>Adaptimmune Therapeutics PLC [ADAP]      |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner<br><input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br>C/O ADAPT IMMUNE THERAPEUTICS PLC,, 101 PARK DRIVE, MILTON PARK |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>05/30/2018                          |  |   |  |
| (Street)<br>ABINGDON, OXFORDSHIRE, X0 OX14 4RY   |  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                                    |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |  |
| (City) (State) (Zip)   |  | <b>Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned</b> |  |   |  |

| 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) |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|------------|--------------|---|--|---|
|   |                                      |  | Code                           | V | Amount  | (A) or (D) | Price        |   |  |   |
| American Depositary Shares representing Ordinary Shares (1) | 05/30/2018                           |  | S                              |   | 121,000   | D          | \$ 13.52 (2) | 4,970,010   | I  | See Footnotes (4) (5)                                 |
| American Depositary Shares representing Ordinary Shares (1) | 06/01/2018                           |  | S                              |   | 50,000  | D          | \$ 13.49 (3) | 4,920,010   | I  | See Footnotes (4) (5)                                 |

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. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V | (A)   | (D) | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date |   |  |  |  |  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Thompson Peter A.<br>C/O ADAPT IMMUNE THERAPEUTICS PLC,<br>101 PARK DRIVE, MILTON PARK<br>ABINGDON, OXFORDSHIRE, X0 OX14 4RY | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

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| /s/ Peter A. Thompson         |  | 06/01/2018 |
| 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 share, of the Issuer. OrbiMed Private Investments V, LP ("OPI V") is the holder of record of the securities reported on this Form 4. OPI V's holdings consist of 25,408,300 ordinary shares held directly, and 685,293 ADSs representing 4,111,758 ordinary shares. Column 5 reports such holdings on an aggregate basis in terms of the corresponding number of ADSs.

(1) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares of the Issuer's common stock ("Shares") were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from (2) \$13.12 to \$13.64 inclusive. Upon request, the Reporting Persons undertakes to provide the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") full information regarding the Shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.

(3) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These Shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$13.49 to \$13.52 inclusive. Upon request, the Reporting Persons undertakes to provide the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the SEC full information regarding the Shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.

(4) These securities are held of record by OPI V. OrbiMed Capital GP V LLC ("GP V") is the sole general partner of OPI V, and OrbiMed Advisors LLC ("Advisors"), a registered adviser under the Investment Advisors Act of 1940, as amended, is the sole managing member of GP V. By virtue of such relationships, GP V and Advisors may be deemed to have voting and investment power with respect to the securities held by OPI V noted above and as a result may be deemed to beneficially own such securities for purposes of Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). Advisors exercised this investment and voting power through a management committee comprised of Carl L. Gordon, Sven H. Borho and Jonathan T. Silverstein, each of whom disclaims beneficial ownership of the Shares held by OPI V. The Reporting Person is a Private Equity Partner of Advisors.

(5) Each of GP V, Advisors, and the Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein for purposes of Rule 16a-1(a) under the Exchange Act, except to the extent of its or his pecuniary interest therein, if any. This report on Form 4 shall not be deemed an admission that any such entity or person, including the Reporting Person, is a beneficial owner of such securities for the purpose of Section 16 of the Exchange Act, or for any other purpose.

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