

# FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <b>Pridgen William</b>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>Virios Therapeutics, Inc. [VIRI]</b>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
(Last) (First) (Middle) <b>C/O VIRIOS THERAPEUTICS, INC., 44 MILTON AVENUE</b>	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <b>05/17/2022</b>	
(Street) <b>ALPHARETTA, GA 30009</b>	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <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			
Common Stock	05/17/2022		P		13,450	A	\$ 4.3802 <a href="#">(1)</a>	36,469	I	401 (k) Account <a href="#">(2)</a>
Common Stock								709,234	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. 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)
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)					

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Pridgen William C/O VIRIOS THERAPEUTICS, INC. 44 MILTON AVENUE ALPHARETTA, GA 30009	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Greg Duncan, Attorney-in-Fact		05/18/2022
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).

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$3.94 to \$4.57, inclusive. The (1) reporting person undertakes to provide Virios Therapeutics, Inc. ("Virios"), any security holder of Virios or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote to this Form 4.

(2) The number of shares reported are indirectly held within the Reporting Person's 401(k) account and are invested in the Tuscaloosa Surgical Assoc PC 401k U/A Dtd Jan 1, 2001 of which the Reporting Person is trustee.

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