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FORM 4

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Washington, D.C. 20549 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Addre | ess of Reporting Per | rson* | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Centessa Pharmaceuticals plc</u> [CNTA] | (Check all a Dir | | Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify |
| | (First) (Middle) CENTESSA PHARMACEUTICALS PLC FL., 1 ASHLEY RD, ALTRINCHAM | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2022 | De | low) Chief Innovat | below) |
| (Street) CHESHIRE (City) | X0 (State) | WA14 2DT (Zip) | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | Line) X Fo Fo | rm filed by One F | iling (Check Applicable Reporting Person than One Reporting |

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) | Code (| ansaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and ode (Instr. 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Ownership | |
|---------------------------------|--|---|--------|---|------------------------|---------------|---|---|-----------|--------------------------------|
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (Instr. 4) |
| Ordinary Shares ⁽¹⁾ | 07/01/2022 | | A | | 100,000 ⁽²⁾ | Α | \$0.00 | 913,756 | D | |
| Ordinary Shares ⁽¹⁾ | | | | | | | | 27,500 | Ι | See footnote ⁽³⁾ |

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. Transa Code (8) | | of Expiration I Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Date | | 6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y | Amount of Securities | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|---|--|--|-------------------------|-------|---|--|--|--|
| | | | | Code | v | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. The Ordinary Shares may be represented by American Depositary Shares, each of which currently represents one Ordinary Share.

2. The shares reported in this transaction represent Restricted Share Units ("RSUs") issued under the Centessa Pharmaceuticals plc Amended and Restated 2021 Stock Option and Incentive Plan. Each RSU represents the contingent right to receive one Ordinary Share of the Issuer. The RSUs shall vest and be settled in 10 equal quarterly instalments with the first such quarterly vesting being on September 30, 2022.

3. Held by RxCelerate Limited ("RxCelerate"). The Reporting Person is a member of the board of directors of RxCelerate. The Reporting Person disclaims Section 16 beneficial ownership of the securities held by RxCelerate, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, if any, and this report shall not be deemed to be an admission that he has beneficial ownership of such shares for Section 16 or any other purpose.

Remarks:

/s/ Marella Thorell, attorney-07/06/2022

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** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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).

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