

# FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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|   |                  |          |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|------------------|----------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *           |                  |          | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol       |  |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  |  |  |  |
| <b>COWARD D SCOTT</b>                               |                  |          | <b>EXACT SCIENCES CORP [ EXAS ]</b>               |  |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)<br><b>Chief Administrative Officer</b> |  |  |  |
| (Last)  | (First)          | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>C/O EXACT SCIENCES CORP., 5505 ENDEAVOR LANE</b> | <b>2/16/2021</b> |          |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (Street)  |                  |          | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY) |  |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  |  |  |  |
| <b>MADISON, WI 53719</b>                            |                  |          |   |  |  | <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)  |  |  |  |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Trans. Date | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 3. Trans. 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                    | 2/16/2021      |                                   | M                         |   | 3972 (1)  | A          | \$0.00   | 5273  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 2/17/2021      |                                   | S                         |   | 1992 (2)  | D          | \$142.66 | 3281 (3)  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    |                |                                   |                           |   |   |            |          | 4073  | I  | Held in 401(k) Plan                                   |

**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Trans. Date | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Trans. 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 |                 | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (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) |
|--|--|----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|---|--|-----|---|-----------------|---|----------------------------|--|--|--|--|
|  |  |                |                                   | Code                      | V | (A)  | (D) | Date Exercisable                        | Expiration Date | Title   | Amount or Number of Shares |  |  |  |  |
| Restricted Stock Units                   | (4)  | 2/16/2021      |                                   | M                         |   | 3972   |     | (5)                                     | (5)             | Common Stock  | 3972                       | \$0.00                                     | 11916  | D  |  |

**Explanation of Responses:**

- (1) Represents shares of common stock received upon vesting of a restricted stock unit award.
- (2) Represents shares sold pursuant to a Sell-to-Cover Rule 10b5-1 Plan to pay withholding taxes due in connection with the vesting of certain restricted stock units on February 16, 2021.
- (3) In addition to the shares of Common Stock reported on this Form 4, which total 7,354 shares, Mr. Coward also holds, in the aggregate, an additional 95,366 vested and unvested options to purchase shares of Common Stock and restricted stock units, with each restricted stock unit representing a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock.
- (4) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock.
- (5) Represents a restricted stock unit award that partially vested on February 16, 2021. The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning on February 16, 2021.

**Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                                     |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                             | Other |
| <b>COWARD D SCOTT<br/>C/O EXACT SCIENCES CORP.<br/>5505 ENDEAVOR LANE<br/>MADISON, WI 53719</b> |               |           | <b>Chief Administrative Officer</b> |       |

**Signatures**

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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