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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Novartis Bioventures Ltd			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Altimmune, Inc. [ALT]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of (Month/E		ransaction	Director	X 10% Owner		
C/O NOVARTIS INTERNATIONAL AG, LICHTSTRASSE 35			07/11/2018				title Other (specify below)		
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(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person			
BASEL, V8	CH-4056						More than One Reporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-	Derivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficially Owned		
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea			3. Transact	4. Securities Acquired ion(A) or Disposed of (D)	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership 7. Nature Form: Direct Indirect		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Se	curiti	es Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
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. Securitie on(A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4 a	osed c	of (D)	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)
Common Stock, par value \$0.0001	07/11/2018		J <u>(1)</u>	663,346	A	(1)	6,275,152	I	See Footnote

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$\label{thm:convertible} \textbf{Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned} \\ \textit{(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)}$

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am Nur Sha
Series B Convertible Preferred Stock	\$ 2.67	07/11/2018		J <u>(1)</u>	344.9287	08/21/2017	08/15/2018	Common Stock, par value \$0.0001	12

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Novartis Bioventures Ltd C/O NOVARTIS INTERNATIONAL AG LICHTSTRASSE 35 BASEL, V8 CH-4056		X			
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Signatures

/s/ Bart Dzikowski, Secretary of the Board of Novartis Bioventures Ltd	07/13/2018				
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				
/s/ Stephan Sandmeier, Authorized Signatory of Novartis Bioventures Ltd					
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				
/s/ Bart Dzikowski, Authorized Signatory of Novartis AG	07/13/2018				
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				
/s/ Stephan Sandmeier, Authorized Signatory of Novartis AG					
**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).

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Pursuant to the terms of the Exchange Agreement between the Issuer and the Reporting Persons dated July 11, 2018, the remaining shares of the Issuer's Series B Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Preferred Stock") were exchanged for shares of the Issuer's common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share.

The board of directors of Novartis Bioventures Ltd has sole voting and investment control and power over such securities. None of the members of its board of directors has individual voting or investment power with respect to such securities and each disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities. Novartis Bioventures Ltd is an indirectly owned subsidiary of Novartis AG.

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