FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and A	-	Requiring (Month/D	Date of Event quiring Statement onth/Day/Year) //01/2021  3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Verona Pharma plc [ VRNA ]								
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2855 SAND HILL ROAD					4. Relationship of Report Issuer (Check all applicable)			Filed		f Amendment, Date of Original d (Month/Day/Year)	
(Street) MENLO PARK (City)	CA (State)	94025 (Zip)	_		Director Officer (give title below)	X	Other (sbelow)			eck Applicable Form filed b Person	by One Reporting
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)				2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Inst 4)	r.   F			4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Ordinary Shares					9,757,393(1)		I		See Note 2 <sup>(2)</sup>		
Ordinary Shares					31,111,112 <sup>(3)</sup>		I		See Note 4 <sup>(4)</sup>		
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)											
Exp			2. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/\	ate	3. Title and Amount of Securiti Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		ty Conver		sion (	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Num	mount or Derivat Security hares		ive	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	Ownership (Instr. 5)	
Ordinary Sh buy)	nares Warrant	(right to	05/02/2017	05/02/2022	Ordinary Shares	1,76	1,769,626 2.32		39(5)	I	See Note 2 <sup>(2)</sup>

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Consists of 1 Ordinary Share and 1,219,674 American Depository Shares ("ADSs") held by Growth Equity Opportunities Fund IV, LLC ("GEO IV"). Each ADS represents eight (8) Ordinary Shares of the Issuer.
- 2. The Reporting Person is a manager of NEA 15 GP, LLC, which is the sole general partner of NEA Partners 15, L.P. ("NEA Partners 15"). NEA Partners 15 is the sole general partner of New Enterprise Associates 15, L.P. ("NEA 15"). NEA 15 is the sole member of GEO IV, which is the direct beneficial owner of the securities. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership within the meaning of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise of such portion of the securities held by GEO IV in which the Reporting Person has no pecuniary interest.
- 3. Consists of 3,888,889 ADSs held by Growth Equity Opportunities 17, LLC ("GEO 17"). Each ADS represents eight (8) Ordinary Shares of the Issuer.
- 4. The Reporting Person is a manager of NEA 17 GP, LLC, which is the sole general partner of NEA Partners 17, L.P. ("NEA Partners 17"). NEA Partners 17 is the sole general partner of New Enterprise Associates 17, L.P. ("NEA 17"). NEA 17 is the sole member of GEO 17, which is the direct beneficial owner of the securities. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership within the meaning of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise of such portion of the securities held by GEO 17 in which the Reporting Person has no pecuniary interest.
- 5. The exercise price of the warrants is GBP 1.7238 per ordinary share. The amount in Column 4 is converted to USD using the exchange rate as of December 23, 2020 as reported by the H.10 statistical release of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

### Remarks:

/s/ Sasha Keough, attorney-in-fact 01/04/2021

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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 5 (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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