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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

(Print or Type Responses)		-			
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> – Burch Richard Alan	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 12/16/2020	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Virios Therapeutics, Inc. [VIRI]			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VIRIOS THERAPEUTICS, INC., 44 MILTON AVENUE	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
(Street) ALPHARETTA, GA 30009		Officer (give title to so owned to below) below)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Se Beneficially Ow (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Natur (Instr. 5	re of Indirect Beneficial Ownership )
Common Stock	147,343		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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

	(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Securities Underlying Derivative Security		or Exercise Price of	Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	1	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
	Stock Options	12/16/2020	12/16/2030	Common Stock	292,500	\$ 10	D	

# **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships				
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Burch Richard Alan C/O VIRIOS THERAPEUTICS, INC. 44 MILTON AVENUE ALPHARETTA, GA 30009	Х				

# Signatures

/s/ Greg Duncan, Attorney-in-Fact	12/16/2020		
***Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, See Instruction 6 for procedure.

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#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Greg Duncan and Angela Walsh, and any of their substitutes, signing singly, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- 1. execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as a director and officer of Virios Therapeutics, LLC (and as converted, Virios Therapeutics, Inc., the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete
  and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and any securities
  exchange or similar authority; and
- 3. take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that each such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned also ratifies hereby any action previously taken by each attorney-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, is not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to each of the foregoing attorneys-infact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 16th day of December, 2020.

/s/ Richard Burch Richard Burch