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## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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(City)	(State)	(Zip)		
(Street) ALPHARETTA	GA	30009		
C/O VIRIOS TH 44 MILTON AV		, INC.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/26/2024	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)
1. Name and Address <u>Pridgen Willia</u>		rson*	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Virios Therapeutics, Inc.</u> [ VIRI ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner
affirmative defense 10b5-1(c). See Inst	conditions of Rule			

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

······································	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, Transaction		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership	
			Code	v		(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)

 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. Transac Code (Ir 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$0.357	02/26/2024		Α		2,917		(1)	02/26/2034	Common Stock	2,917	\$0	2,917	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The stock option will vest 100% on February 26, 2025, one year following the grant date.

## /s/ Greg Duncan, Attorney-in-Fact 02/28/2024

\*\* 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 4 (b)(v).

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