FORM 4

### **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan for the purchase or sale of equity securities of the issuer that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.

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 Address		IT I D	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  LENZ Therapeutics, Inc. [LENZ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
RA CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.					Director Officer (give title	X	10% Owner Other (specify		
(Last) 200 BERKELEY	(First) STREET, 18TH FL	(Middle) OOR	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/21/2024		below)		below)		
(Street) BOSTON	MA	02116	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv	idual or Joint/Group Fili Form filed by One R Form filed by More th	eporting	Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transac Code (li 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/21/2024		A		2,386,301	A	(1)	2,386,301	I	See Footnotes <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	03/21/2024		A		694,755	A	(1)	694,755	I	See Footnotes <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	03/21/2024		A		164,729	A	(1)	164,729	I	See footnotes <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	03/21/2024		P		933,038	A	\$15.03	3,319,339	I	See footnotes <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stockj	03/21/2024		P		64,971	A	\$15.03	694,755	I	See footnotes <sup>(3)</sup>

# 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 (II 8)		Derivative		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)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	10. Ownership Form: 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		(Instr. 4)		
Warrants (Right to Buy)	\$10.64	03/21/2024		A		54,582		03/21/2024	10/30/2027	Common Stock	54,582	(6)	54,582	I	See footnotes <sup>(2)</sup>
Warrants (Right to Buy)	\$10.64	03/21/2024		A		10,580		03/21/2024	10/30/2027	Common Stock	10,580	(6)	10,580	I	See footnotes <sup>(3)</sup>
Warrants (Right to Buy)	\$10.64	03/21/2024		A		5,371		03/21/2024	10/30/2027	Common Stock	5,371	(6)	5,371	I	See footnotes <sup>(3)</sup>
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$15.05	03/21/2024		A		27,000		(7)	03/20/2034	Common Stock	27,000	\$0	27,000	I	See footnotes <sup>(3)</sup> (8)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  RA CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.							
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	ess of Reporting Person*  Healthcare Fund LP	
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### Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Received in exchange for equity of LENZ Therapeutics Operations, Inc. ("LENZ OPCo") pursuant to an Agreement and Plan of Merger and Reorganization by and among LENZ OPCo, the Issuer and Generate Merger Sub, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Issuer ("Generate Merger Sub"), as amended (the "Merger Agreement"). Under the terms of the Merger Agreement, on March 21, 2024, Generate Merger Sub merged with and into LENZ OPCo (the "Merger"), with LENZ OPCo surviving the Merger as a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Issuer.
- 2. These securities are held directly by RA Capital Healthcare Fund, L.P. (the "Fund").
- 3. RA Capital Management, L.P. (the "Adviser") is the investment manager for the Fund, RA Capital Nexus Fund II, L.P. (the "Nexus Fund II"), and a separately managed account (the "Account"). The general partner of the Adviser is RA Capital Management GP, LLC (the "Adviser GP"), of which Dr. Peter Kolchinsky and Mr. Rajeev Shah are the managing members. The Adviser, the Adviser GP, Dr. Kolchinsky, and Mr. Shah disclaim beneficial ownership of any of the reported securities, except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein.
- $4. \ These \ securities \ are held \ directly \ by \ Nexus \ Fund \ II.$
- 5. These securities are held directly by the Account.
- $6.\ Received\ in\ exchange\ for\ warrants\ of\ LENZ\ OpCo\ pursuant\ to\ the\ Merger\ Agreement.$
- 7. One thirty-sixth (1/36th) of the shares subject to the option shall vest each month following the Vesting Commencement Date on the same day of the month as the Vesting Commencement Date (and if there is no corresponding day, on the last day of the month), subject to Dr. Zach Scheiner continuing to be a Service Provider (as defined in the Issuer's 2024 Equity Incentive Plan) through each applicable date. "Vesting Commencement Date" shall mean March 21, 2024.

8. Under Dr. Scheiner's arrangement with the Adviser, Dr. Scheiner holds the option for the benefit of the Fund and the Nexus Fund II. Dr. Scheiner is obligated to turn over to the Adviser any net cash or stock received upon exercise of the option, which will offset advisory fees owed by the Fund and the Nexus Fund II to the Adviser. The Reporting Persons therefore disclaim beneficial ownership of the option and underlying common stock except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein.

#### Remarks

Dr. Zach Scheiner, a Principal of RA Capital Management, L.P., serves on the Issuer's board of directors.

/s/ Peter Kolchinsky, Manager of RA Capital Management, L.P.	03/25/2024
/s/ Peter Kolchinsky, Manager of RA Capital Healthcare Fund GP, LLC the General Partner of RA Capital Healthcare Fund, L.P.	03/25/2024
/s/ Peter Kolchinsky, Manager of RA Capital Nexus Fund II GP,	03/25/2024

LLC the General Partner of RA Capital Nexus Fund II, L.P.

/s/ Peter Kolchinsky, individually 03/25/2024

/s/ Rajeev Shah, individually

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

03/25/2024

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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<sup>\*</sup> If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

<sup>\*\*</sup> Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).