FORM 3

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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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

Name and Address of Reporting Person*     O'Byrne Jason	2. Date of Requiring (Month/Da 07/22/20	g Statement ay/Year)	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  Caribou Biosciences, Inc. [ CRBU ]					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CARIBOU BIOSCIENCES,			4. Relationship of Reportin Issuer (Check all applicable) Director	g Person(s)		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
INC. 2929 7TH STREET, SUITE 105	_		X Officer (give title below)	Other ( below)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person		
(Street) BERKELEY CA 94710	_		See Rein				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City) (State) (Zip)								
7	able I - No	n-Derivati	ive Securities Benefi	cially Ov	vned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	Form: D (D) or In			I. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)								
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Se Underlying Derivative Se (Instr. 4)				5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security		Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	5)
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	03/29/2031	Common Stock	437,201	4.11		D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	06/28/2031	Common Stock	48,966	5.27	7	D	

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. 1/4th of the shares subject to this option will vest on February 28, 2022 and an additional 1/48th of the aggregate number of shares subject to the option will vest on the corresponding day of each month thereafter (or if there is no such corresponding day, on the last day of such month), subject to the reporting person's continued service to the Issuer thorough the applicable vesting date.
- 2. 1/4th of the shares subject to this option will vest on June 29, 2022 and an additional 1/48th of the aggregate number of shares subject to the option will vest on the corresponding day of each month thereafter (or if there is no such corresponding day, on the last day of such month), subject to the reporting person's continued service to the Issuer thorough the applicable vesting date.

## Remarks:

Chief Financial Officer Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney.

/s/ Jason V. O'Byrne

07/22/2021

\*\* Signature of Reporting

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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#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

With respect to holdings of and transactions in securities issued by Caribou Biosciences, Inc. (the "Company"), the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints the individuals named on Schedule A attached hereto and as may be amended from time to time, or any of them signing singly, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, to act as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- 1. execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, Schedules 13D and 13G in accordance with Section 13 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and the rules thereunder, and Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16 of the Exchange Act and the rules thereunder;
- 2. 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 Schedule 13D or 13G or Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such schedule or form with the SEC and any stock 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 and resubstitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorneys-in-fact 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 acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 13 and Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Schedule 13D and 13G and 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 the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 22nd day of July, 2021.

/s/ Jason V. O'Byrne Jason V. O'Byrne

#### Schedule A

Individuals Appointed as Attorney-in-Fact with Full Power of Substitution and Resubstitution

- 1. Rachel E. Haurwitz
- 2. Barbara E. McClung
- 3. Ryan Fischesser