FORM 3

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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 Address of Reporting Person*  HANSSON JONAS                         |  | e of Event<br>ring Statement<br>n/Day/Year)<br>s/2020 | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SPRUCE BIOSCIENCES, INC. [ SPRB ]                 |                            |                |   |  |   |  |
|---|--|---|---|----------------------------|----------------|---|--|---|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle<br>C/O SPRUCE BIOSCIENCES, I<br>2001 JUNIPERO SERRA BLVE | NC.  |   | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner |                            |                | F   | 5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                                   |   |  |
| SUITE 640   |  |   | X Director Officer (give title below)   |                            | Other (sbelow) | 6.  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting |   |  |
| (Street) DALY CITY CA 94014   |  |   |   |                            |                |   | Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |   |  |
| (City) (State) (Zip)  |  |   |   |                            |                |   |  |   |  |
|   | Table I - I  | Non-Deriva  | ative Securities Be   | neficial                   | lly Ow         | vned  |  |   |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)   |  |   | Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)   |                            |                |   | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial<br>Ownership (Instr. 5)                                   |   |  |
|   |  |   | ve Securities Bene<br>rants, options, con   |                            |                |   |  |   |  |
| Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)   | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) |   | 3. Title and Amount of Securities<br>Underlying Derivative Security (Inst 4)                  |                            | - 1            | 4.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of |  | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |  |
|   | Date<br>Exercisable                                      | Expiration<br>Date                                    | Title   | Amount<br>Number<br>Shares |                | Derivative<br>Security                      | or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 5)  | 3,  |  |
| Series B Preferred Stock  | (1)  | (1)   | Common Stock  | 1,783,621(2)               |                | (1)   | I  | See Footnotes <sup>(3)</sup>                          |  |

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

- 1. The shares of Series B Preferred Stock ("Series B Preferred") have no expiration date and are convertible at any time at the election of the holder without payment of further consideration. Each share of Series B Preferred will automatically convert into 0.152881822351322 shares of Common Stock upon the closing of the Issuer's initial public offering.
- 2. Share numbers give effect to the reverse split of each share of the Issuer's Common Stock into 0.152881822351322 shares of Common Stock effected on October 2, 2020, which will be effective for the Preferred Stock upon its conversion to Common Stock upon the closing of the Issuer's initial public offering.
- 3. The shares are directly held by HealthCap VIII, L.P. ("HCLP"). HealthCap VIII GP SA ("HCSA") is the sole general partner of HCLP and has voting and investment control over such shares held by HCLP. Jonas Hansson, a Director of the Issuer, has an indirect interest in HCSA and is an employee of Health Cap VIII Advisor AB. Each of the General Partner and Mr. Hansson disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities, except to the extent of his/its indirect pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the General Partner or Mr. Hansson is the beneficial owner of such shares.

#### Remarks:

/s/ Samir Gharib, Attorney-in-Fact

10/08/2020

\*\* 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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Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Richard

King and Samir Gharib, or any of them signing singly, and with full power of substitution, the undersigneds

true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

(1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigneds capacity as an officer,

director and/or more than 10% stockholder of Spruce Biosciences, 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;

(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 Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any

amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such 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-facts 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 such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-facts 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  $\frac{1}{2}$ 

undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigneds responsibilities to

comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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 undersigneds holdings of and transactions in securities issued by  $\frac{1}{2}$ 

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 September 23, 2020.

/s/ Jonas Hansson