FORM 3

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# INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Adler Reid G.	2. Date of Requiring (Month/Da 05/02/20	Statement y/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VistaGen Therapeutics, Inc. [ VTGN ]					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VISTAGEN THERAPEUTICS, INC.			Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director 10% Owner		Fil	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
343 ALLERTON AVENUE			X Officer (give title below)	below)	(C	Individual or Joint/Group Filing     (Check Applicable Line)     Form filed by One Reporting		
(Street) SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO CA 94080			CHIEF LEGAL	OFFICEI	2	Person	by More than One	
(City) (State) (Zip)								
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned								
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Owner Form: D (D) or In (I) (Instr	Direct Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Common Stock			34,629	Г	)			
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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	5)	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	06/06/2023	Common Stock	2,500	8	D		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	09/19/2027	Common Stock	50,000	1.56	D		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)	02/02/2028	Common Stock	25,000	1.16	D		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	05/23/2029	Common Stock	20,000	1	D		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(5)	10/21/2029	Common Stock	25,000	1.41	D		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(6)	04/23/2030	Common Stock	25,000	0.398	D		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(7)	07/16/2031	Common Stock	50,000	2.74	D		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(8)	03/01/2032	Common Stock	50,000	1.37	D		

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Stock options are fully vested as of the date of this report.
- 2. Stock options are fully vested as of the date of this report.
- $3. \ Stock$  options are fully vested as of the date of this report.
- 4. Stock options are fully vested as of the date of this report.
- 5. Stock options are fully vested as of the date of this report.
- 6. Stock options are fully vested as of the date of this report.
- 7. 25% of the stock options vested on July 16, 2021 (the "Vesting Start Date") and 1/24th of the remaining number of shares vest monthly thereafter until all awarded shares are fully vested two (2) years after the Vesting Start Date.
- 8. 25% of the stock options vested on March 1, 2022 (the "Vesting Start Date") and 1/24th of the remaining number of shares vest monthly thereafter until all awarded shares are fully vested two (2) years after the Vesting Start Date.

/s/ Jerrold D. Dotson, Attorney-in-Fact

05/03/2022

\*\* Signature of Reporting

Date

#### Person

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**

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Shawn K. Singh and Jerrold D. Dotson, signing singly, 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 an officer and/or director of VistaGen Therapeutics, Inc. (the "*Company*"), Forms 3, 4 and 5 (including amendments thereto) in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and the rules and regulations 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 Forms 3, 4 or 5 and timely file such forms (including amendments thereto) and application with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission 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 or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that 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 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 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

The undersigned agrees that each such attorney-in-fact herein may rely entirely on information furnished orally or in writing by the undersigned to such attorney-in-fact. The undersigned also agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Company and each such attorney-in-fact against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in these respects) that arise out of or are based upon any untrue statements or omission of necessary facts in the information provided by the undersigned to such attorney-in fact for purposes of executing, acknowledging, delivering or filing Forms 3, 4 or 5 (including amendments thereto) and agrees to reimburse the Company and such attorney-in-fact for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred in connection with investigating or defending against any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action.

This Power of Attorney supersedes any power of attorney previously executed by the undersigned regarding the purposes outlined in the first paragraph hereof ("*Prior Powers of Attorney*"), and the authority of the attorneys-in-fact named in any Prior Powers of Attorney is hereby revoked. This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 or 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier (a) revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact or (b) superseded by a new power of attorney regarding the purposes outlined in the first paragraph hereof dated as of a later date.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 22nd day of April, 2022.

Reid G. Adler Reid G. Adler