

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Kearny Acquisition Corp</u> <hr/> (Last) (First) (Middle) LILLY CORPORATE CENTER <hr/> (Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46285 <hr/> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 10/17/2022	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Akouos, Inc. [AKUS]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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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 Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>ELI LILLY & Co</u> <hr/> (Last) (First) (Middle) LILLY CORPORATE CENTER <hr/> (Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46285 <hr/> (City) (State) (Zip)

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

In connection with the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of October 17, 2022, among the reporting persons and the Issuer, the reporting persons entered into tender and support agreements, each dated as of October 17, 2022 (collectively, the "Tender and Support Agreements"), with (i) Emmanuel Simons, (ii) 5AM Ventures V, L.P. and 5AM Opportunities I, L.P., and (iii) New Enterprise Associates 16, L.P. and NEA Ventures 2018, L.P. (collectively, the "Parties"), pursuant to which each of the Parties agreed to grant certain voting rights to Eli Lilly and Company with respect to the shares of Issuer's common stock held by each such Party (collectively, the "Shares"). As a result of the Tender and Support Agreements, each of the reporting persons may be deemed to have acquired beneficial ownership in excess of 10% of the Issuer's issued and outstanding common stock for the purpose of determining each reporting person's status as a ten percent owner thereof. However, neither of the reporting persons has a pecuniary interest in the Shares and each

