FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Evans John M.	2. Date of Requiring S (Month/Date 06/16/20)	Statement ay/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Verve Therapeutics, Inc. [VERV]					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VERVE THERAPEUTICS, INC.			4. Relationship of Reporting Issuer (Check all applicable)			5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
500 TECHNOLOGY SQUARE, SUITE 901	_		X Director Officer (give title below)	10% O Other (below)	6. Ir specify (Che	(Check Applicable Form filed	ndividual or Joint/Group Filing neck Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person	
(Street) CAMBRIDGE MA 02139	_						by More than One Person	
(City) (State) (Zip)								
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned								
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)			Nature of Indirect Beneficial vnership (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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversi or Exerci	ise Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivativ Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	5)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	03/31/2031	Common Stock	21,599	8.98	D		
Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	09/15/2030	Common Stock	21,599	2.87	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The option was granted on April 1, 2021 for 21,599 shares. The shares underlying the option vest quarterly over 4 years in 16 equal quarterly installments, with the first installment commencing on April 1, 2021.
- 2. The option was granted on September 16, 2020 for 21,599 shares. The shares underlying the option vest quarterly over 3 years in 12 equal quarterly installments, with the first installment commencing on July 1, 2020.

Remarks:

Exhibit Index: 24.1 Power of Attorney

/s/ Andrew Ashe, Attorney-in-Fact 06/16/2021

** Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- $^{**} \ Intentional \ misstatements \ or \ omissions \ of facts \ constitute \ Federal \ Criminal \ Violations \ See \ 18 \ U.S.C. \ 1001 \ and \ 15 \ U.S.C. \ 78 \ ff(a).$

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LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR SECTION 16 REPORTING OBLIGATIONS

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby makes, constitutes and appoints each of Andrew Ashe, Margaret Beaudoin and Yasser El-Gamal, signing singly and each acting individually, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact with full power and authority as hereinafter described to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director and/or stockholder of Verve Therapeutics, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 (including any amendments thereto) in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules thereunder (the "Exchange Act");
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to prepare, complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, prepare, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely deliver and file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and any stock exchange or similar authority, including, without limitation, the filing of a Form ID, Update Passphrase, or any other application materials to enable the undersigned to gain or maintain access to the Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis and Retrieval system of the SEC;
- (3) seek or obtain, as the undersigned's representative and on the undersigned's behalf, information regarding transactions in the Company's securities from any third party, including brokers, employee benefit plan administrators and trustees, and the undersigned hereby authorizes any such person to release any such information to such attorney-in-fact and approves and ratifies any such release of information; and
- (4) 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 relieving, nor is the Company assuming nor relieving, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Exchange Act. The undersigned acknowledges that neither the Company nor the foregoing attorneys-in-fact assume (i) any liability for the undersigned's responsibility to comply with the requirement of the Exchange Act, (ii) any liability of the undersigned for any failure to comply with such requirements, or (iii) any obligation or liability of the undersigned for profit disgorgement under Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act.

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 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 18th day of May, 2021.

/s/ John Evans ------Signature John Evans
----Print Name