### FORM 4

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Ty	pe Response	s)														
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* S A C CAPITAL MANAGEMENT L L C				SONU	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SONUS PHARMACEUTICALS INC [954343413]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 540 MADISON AVENUE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/19/2004											
NEW YO	ORK, NY	(Street)		4. If An	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person _Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City		(State)	(Zip)		Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned											
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)				Date, if	Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)			Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial		
			(Month/Day/Year)		Coc	le	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3	r. 3 and 4)		Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common \$0.001 pe	Stock, par er share	r value	02/19/2004			P			150,000	D	\$ 8.5518	1,454,7	752		I	See (1)
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share		02/19/2004			P			25,000	D	\$ 8.662	1,429,7	1,429,752		I	See (1)	
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share		02/19/2004			P			10,000	D	\$ 8.50	1,419,7	119,752		I	See (1)	
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Derivative Conversion I		3. Transact Date (Month/Da		Date, if Tr	Year) 4. Transaction Code of Derivation (A) or Dispose of (D) (Instr. 4, and		rative rities ired rosed ) . 3,	and (M	Date Exer d Expiration	on Date	Amo Und Secu	itle and ount of erlying arities tr. 3 and	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Owners Form o Derivat Security Direct ( or Indir	Beneficia Ownershi (Instr. 4)  D) ect
				C	ode V	(A)	(D)	Da Ex	ate tercisable	Expirati Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

### **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
S A C CAPITAL MANAGEMENT L L C 540 MADISON AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022		X					

### **Signatures**

/s/ Peter Nussbaum	02/23/2004

**Signature of Reporting Person	Date			

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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).
- (1) Please see Exhibit 99.

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(1) The securities to which this report relates are held by S.A.C. Capital Associates, LLC ("Associates") and S.A.C. Healthco Fund, LLC ("Healthco"), limited liability companies of which the Reporting Person is an investment manager. Pursuant to investment agreements, the Reporting Person shares all investment and voting power with respect to the securities held by Associates and Healthco. In accordance with Instruction 4(b) (iv) the entire amount of the Issuer's securities held by Associates and Healthco is reported herein. The transaction reported on herein was consummated by Associates. The Reporting Person disclaims any beneficial ownership of any of the Issuer's securities to which this report relates for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, except to the extent of its indirect pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes.