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to
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REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

**ARCH THERAPEUTICS, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Nevada 46-0524102
(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer
incorporation or organization) Identification Number)**

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Large accelerated filer:

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STATEMENT PURSUANT TO RULE 429

The registrant is filing a single prospectus in this registration statement, pursuant to Rule 429 under the Securities Act of 1933. The prospectus is a combined prospectus relating to an aggregate of 2,500,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.001 per share ("**Common Stock**") that are currently registered and remain unsold under the registrant's registration statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-194745) (the "**2014 Registration Statement**") declared effective on July 2, 2014 (the "**2014 Registration Statement**") and those same shares of Common Stock, resales of which are being newly registered hereunder. Pursuant to Rule 429, this registration statement constitutes a post-effective amendment to the 2014 Registration Statement with respect to the offerings of such unsold shares thereunder, which are not currently being terminated by the Company. Such post-effective amendment will become effective concurrently with the effectiveness of this registration statement in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act.

The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission acting pursuant to said section 8(a), may determine.

The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. The selling securityholders named herein may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and it is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

Subject to completion, dated November 17, 2016

PROSPECTUS

Up to 2,500,000 Shares of Common Stock

This prospectus relates to the offering and resale by the selling securityholders of Arch Therapeutics, Inc. named herein of up to 2,500,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (“**Common Stock**”). These shares comprise the 2,500,000 shares of issued and outstanding Common Stock currently held by the selling securityholders that were initially issued and sold in a private placement offering that was concluded on February 4, 2014 (the “**2014 Private Placement Financing**”). The Common Stock issued in the 2014 Private Placement Financing was sold as a part of a unit (“**Unit**”) consisting of a share of our Common Stock and a Series A Warrant, a Series B Warrant, and a Series C Warrant at a purchase price of \$0.25 per Unit. The Series B and C Warrants expired on January 3, 2015 and July 2, 2016, respectively, and the Series A Warrants issued to the selling securityholders have been completely exercised as of November 17, 2016.

The selling securityholders may sell the shares of Common Stock to be registered hereby from time to time on any national securities exchange or quotation service on which the securities may be listed or quoted at the time of sale, in the over-the-counter market, in one or more transactions otherwise than on these exchanges or systems or in the over-the-counter market, such as privately negotiated transactions, or using a combination of these methods, and at fixed prices, at prevailing market prices at the time of the sale, at varying prices determined at the time of sale, or at negotiated prices. See the disclosure under the heading “**PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION**” in this prospectus for more information.

We will not receive any proceeds from the resale of Common Stock by the selling securityholders.

Our common stock is currently quoted on the QB tier of the OTC Marketplace (“**OTCQB**”) under the symbol “**ARTH**”. On November 16, 2016, the closing price of our common stock was \$0.593 per share.

We originally offered and sold the securities issued in the 2016 Private Placement Financing under an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”), pursuant to Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act and Rule 506(b) promulgated under the Securities Act.

Investing in our securities involves certain risks. See “RISK FACTORS” beginning on Page 6 of this prospectus and in the applicable prospectus supplement for certain risks you should consider. You should read the entire prospectus carefully before you make your investment decision.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is _____, 2016

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ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of a registration statement that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) utilizing a “shelf” registration process. Under this shelf registration process, the selling securityholders may, from time to time, offer and sell shares of our Common Stock, as described in this prospectus, in one or more offerings. To the extent we file any prospectus supplements, such prospectus supplements may add, update or change information contained in this prospectus to the extent permitted by the Securities Act. You should read both this prospectus and any prospectus supplement together with additional information described under the heading “**WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION.**”

We and the selling securityholders have not authorized anyone to provide any information other than that contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus or to which we have referred you. We take no responsibility for, and can provide no assurance as to the reliability of, any other information that others may give you. The selling securityholders are offering to sell, and seeking offers to buy, these securities only in jurisdictions where offers and sales are permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in or incorporated by reference in this prospectus or any prospectus supplement is accurate as of any date other than their respective dates.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus, including the documents incorporated by reference herein, contains forward-looking statements. In some cases, you can identify these statements by forward-looking words such as “may,” “might,” “will,” “should,” “expects,” “plans,” “anticipates,” “believes,” “estimates,” “predicts,” “potential” or “continue,” the negative or plural of these words and comparable terminology. These forward-looking statements, which are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions about us, may include projections of our future financial performance, our anticipated growth strategies and anticipated trends in our business. These statements are only predictions based on our current expectations and projections about future events. There are important factors that could cause our actual results, level of activity, performance or achievements to differ materially from the results, level of activity, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements, including those factors discussed under the caption entitled “Risk Factors” in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2015.

Although we believe the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, level of activity, performance or achievements. Moreover, neither we nor any other person assumes responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of any of these forward-looking statements. We are under no duty to update any of these forward-looking statements after the date of this prospectus to conform our prior statements to actual results or revised expectations.

PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

Our Company

We are a biotechnology company in the development stage with limited operations to date. We aim to develop products that make surgery and interventional care faster and safer by using a novel approach that stops bleeding (referenced as “**hemostatic**” or “**hemostasis**”), controls leaking (referenced as “**sealant**” or “**sealing**”), and provides other advantages during surgery and trauma care. Our core technology is based on a self-assembling peptide that creates a physical, mechanical barrier, which could be applied to seal organs or wounds that are leaking blood and other fluids. We believe our technology could support an innovative platform of potential products in the field of stasis and barrier applications. Our lead product candidate, the AC5 Surgical Hemostatic Device™ (which we sometimes refer to as “**AC5™**”), is designed to achieve hemostasis in minimally invasive and open surgical procedures, and we hope to develop other hemostatic or sealant product candidates in the future based on our self-assembling peptide technology platform. Our plan and business model is to develop products that apply that core technology to use with human bodily fluids and connective tissues.

AC5 is designed to be a biocompatible synthetic peptide comprising naturally occurring amino acids. When applied to a wound, AC5 intercalates into the interstices of the connective tissue where it self-assembles into a physical, mechanical structure that provides a barrier to leaking substances, such as blood. AC5 is designed for direct application as a liquid, which we believe will make it user-friendly and able to conform to irregular wound geometry. Additionally, AC5 is not sticky or glue-like, which we believe will enhance its utility in the setting of minimally invasive and laparoscopic surgeries. Further, in certain settings, AC5 lends itself to a concept that we call Crystal Clear Surgery™ because the transparency and physical properties of AC5 enable a surgeon to operate through it in order to maintain a clearer field of vision and prophylactically stop or lessen bleeding as it starts.

Corporate Information

We were incorporated under the laws of State of Nevada on September 16, 2009 as Almah, Inc. On May 10, 2013, we entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the “**Merger Agreement**”) with Arch Biosurgery, Inc., a private Massachusetts corporation (“**ABS**”), and Arch Acquisition Corporation, our wholly owned subsidiary formed for the purpose of the transaction, pursuant to which Arch Acquisition Corporation merged with and into ABS and ABS thereby became our wholly owned subsidiary (the “**Merger**”). The Merger closed on June 26, 2013. In contemplation of the Merger, we changed our name from Almah, Inc. to Arch Therapeutics, Inc. Our principal executive offices are located at 235 Walnut St., Suite 6, Framingham, Massachusetts 01702. The telephone number of our principal executive offices is (617) 431-2313. Our website address is <http://www.archtherapeutics.com>. We have not incorporated by reference into this prospectus the information on our website, and you should not consider it to be a part of this document.

2014 Private Placement Financing

On January 30, 2014, we entered into a securities purchase agreement (the “**2014 SPA**”) with 9 accredited investors (the “**2014 Investors**”) providing for the issuance and sale by us to such 2014 Investors, in a private placement, of an aggregate of 11,400,000 Units at a purchase price of \$0.25 per Unit, for aggregate gross proceeds to us of \$2.85 million (the “**2014 Private Placement Financing**”). Each Unit consisted of a share of our Common Stock and a Series A Warrant, a Series B Warrant, and a Series C Warrant (collectively, the “**2014 Warrants**”), each of which was exercisable for a share of Common Stock. Upon the closing of the 2014 Private Placement Financing on February 4, 2014, we issued to the 2014 Investors 11,400,000 shares of Common Stock and 2014 Warrants exercisable up to an aggregate of 34,200,000 shares of our Common Stock. As noted above, the Series B and C Warrants expired on January 3, 2015 and July 2, 2016, respectively.

The Series A Warrants had an initial exercise price of \$0.30 per share, were exercisable immediately upon their issuance and have a term of exercise equal to five years after their issuance date. The number of shares of our Common Stock into which each Series A Warrant is exercisable and the exercise price therefor were subject to adjustment as set forth in the Series A Warrant, including, without limitation, adjustments in the event of certain subsequent issuances and sales of shares of our Common Stock (or securities convertible or exercisable into shares of our Common Stock) at a price per share lower than the then-effective exercise price of the Series A Warrant, in which case the per share exercise price of the Series A Warrant would be adjusted to equal such lower price per share and the number of shares issuable upon exercise of the Series A Warrants would be adjusted accordingly so that the aggregate exercise price upon full exercise of the Series A Warrants immediately before and immediately after such per share exercise price adjustment were equal (the “**Anti-Dilution Provisions**”), as well as customary adjustments in the event of stock dividends and splits, subsequent rights offerings and pro rata distributions to our Common Stockholders. The Series A Warrants also provide that they shall not be exercisable in the event and to the extent that the exercise thereof would result in the holder of a Series A Warrant or any of its affiliates beneficially owning more than 4.9% of our Common Stock.

Between March 11, 2015 and through March 13, 2015, we entered into substantially similar subscription agreements with three of the 2014 Investors (the “**Convertible Notes Investors**”) pursuant to which we issued unsecured 2016 8% Convertible Notes (the “**Convertible Notes**”, and such transaction, the “**Notes Offering**”) to the Convertible Notes Investors in the aggregate principal amount of \$750,000. Because the conversion price of the Convertible Notes on the date the Notes Offering closed (\$0.20 per share) was below the then current exercise price of the Series A Warrants, the issuance of the Convertible Notes triggered the Anti-Dilution Provisions of the Series A Warrants and, as a result, the exercise price of the Series A Warrants was reduced to \$0.20 per share and the aggregate number of shares issuable under the Series A Warrants increased by 5,700,000 shares (such additional shares, the “**Anti-Dilution Shares**”) from 11,400,000 shares to 17,100,000 shares, in each case effective as of March 13, 2015. As of November 16, 2016, there are currently 25,000 Anti-Dilution Shares outstanding.

On June 22, 2015, we entered into an amendment agreement with Cranshire Capital Master Fund, Ltd. (“**Cranshire**”), the lead investor in the 2014 Private Placement Financing, pursuant to which to the Anti-Dilution Provisions contained in the Series A Warrants and Series C Warrants were removed in consideration for (a) extending the expiration date of the Series C Warrants to 5:00 p.m., New York time, on July 2, 2016; and (b) agreeing to issue the holders of the Series A Warrants and Series C Warrants up to an additional 570,000 shares of Common Stock (the “**Inducement Shares**”), subject to the delivery by each such holder of an investor certificate.

Upon the closing of the 2014 Private Placement Financing, we entered into a registration rights agreement with the 2014 Investors (the “**2014 Registration Rights Agreement**”), pursuant to which we became obligated, subject to certain conditions, to file with the SEC one or more registration statements to register the shares of Common Stock issued in and underlying the 2014 Warrants issued in the 2014 Private Placement Financing for resale under the Securities Act. As a result, we initially registered for resale under a registration statement on Form S-1 (File Number 333-194745, and such registration statement, the “**2014 Registration Statement**”) an aggregate of 45,600,000 shares of Common Stock, representing the (i) 11,400,000 shares issued at the closing of the 2014 Private Placement Financing and (ii) 34,200,000 shares underlying the 2014 Warrants issued upon the closing of the 2014 Private Placement Financing.

The 2014 Registration Rights Agreement also obligates us to register the resale of all securities covered by the 2014 Registration Rights Agreement on a short-form registration statement on Form S-3 as soon as we become eligible to use Form S-3; *provided, however* that we are required to maintain the effectiveness of all registration statements, including the 2014 Registration Statement, then in effect and the availability for use of each prospectus contained therein until such time as a registration statement on Form S-3 covering the resale of such shares has been declared effective by the SEC and the prospectus contained therein is available for use or, if earlier, such time as a registration statement is no longer required to be maintained by us. This registration statement on Form S-3 (the “**2016 S-3 Registration Statement**”) and together with the 2014 Registration Statement, the “**Registration Statements**”) is being filed to satisfy this obligation.

Our failure to satisfy certain deadlines with respect to the Registration Statements and certain other requirements set forth in the 2014 Registration Rights Agreement may require us to pay monetary penalties to the 2014 Investors and/or their assignees. Additionally, we may be required in the future to amend the Registration Statements or to file new registration statements in order to register additional shares of our Common Stock for resale by the investors in the 2014 Private Placement Financing to account for adjustments to the number of shares underlying the 2014 Warrants including, but not limited to, the remaining 25,000 Anti-Dilution Shares that became exercisable under the Series A Warrants as a result of the Notes Offering; *provided, however*, that pursuant to comments received from the staff of the SEC (the “**Staff**”), we will not be permitted to amend the Registration Statements or file a new registration statement to cover such additional shares until 60 days after substantially all the shares registered under the Registration Statements have been sold.

Under the 2014 Registration Rights Agreement, subject to exception in certain circumstances, we have agreed to keep the at least one of the Registration Statements effective until the earlier of the date on which all shares of Common

Stock to be registered thereunder have been sold or may be sold without restriction pursuant to Rule 144 promulgated under the Securities Act (“**Rule 144**”). If there is not, at any time during the period required by the 2014 Registration Rights Agreement, an effective registration statement covering the resale of any of the shares issued in or issuable upon exercise of the 2014 Warrants issued in the 2014 Private Placement Financing, then the investors in the 2014 Private Placement Financing or their assignees (i) will have “piggyback” registration rights with respect to any such shares that are not eligible for resale pursuant to Rule 144 in connection with any other registration statement we determine to file that would permit the inclusion of those shares; and (ii) will be entitled to exercise their 2014 Warrants on a “cashless exercise” or “net exercise” basis during the period when the shares issuable upon exercise of such 2014 Warrants are not so registered.

On January 30, 2014, the date of our entry into the 2014 SPA, the Series A Warrants and Series B Warrants had an exercise price lower than the market value of our Common Stock, which closed at \$0.38 on the OTCQB on such date, resulting in an aggregate discount to the market price of our Common Stock of \$912,000 for the Series A Warrants and \$342,000 for the Series B Warrants as of such date. The Series C Warrants were issued with an exercise price higher than the market value of our Common Stock on the date of our entry into the 2014 SPA, and therefore did not have any discount to the market price of our Common Stock as of such date. The table below indicates the total possible discount to the market price of our Common Stock as of January 30, 2014 for the shares of our Common Stock underlying the Series A Warrants. The last trading price of our Common Stock on the OTCQB on February 4, 2014, the date of the closing of the 2014 Private Placement Financing, was \$0.30. As a result, as of such date, there was no discount to the market price of our Common Stock for any of the 2014 Warrants.

Series A Warrants

Market price per share of our Common Stock on January 30, 2014, the date of the Securities Purchase Agreement:	\$0.38
Exercise price per share of the Series A Warrants on the date of issuance:	\$0.30
Total possible shares of Common Stock underlying the Series A Warrants on the date of issuance:	11,400,000
Aggregate market price of all shares of Common Stock underlying the Series A Warrants on the date of issuance, based on the market price of our Common Stock on January 30, 2014:	\$4,332,000
Aggregate exercise price of all shares of Common Stock underlying the Series A Warrants on the date of issuance, based on the exercise price on the date of issuance:	\$3,420,000
Total possible discount of the exercise price of the Series A Warrants to the market price of our Common Stock as of January 30, 2014:	\$912,000

As noted above, as a result of the closing of the Notes Offering on March 13, 2015 and the Anti-Dilution Provisions of the Series A Warrants, the exercise price of the Series A Warrants was reduced to \$0.20 per share and the aggregate number of shares issuable under the Series A Warrants increased by 5,700,000 shares (or fifty-percent (50%)) from 11,400,000 shares to 17,100,000 shares, in each case effective as of March 13, 2015. As a result, the Series A Warrants had an exercise price lower than the market value of our Common Stock on March 13, 2015, which closed at \$0.21 on the OTCQB on such date, resulting in an aggregate discount to the market price of our Common Stock of \$171,000 for the Series A Warrants as of such date. The table below indicates the total possible discount to the market price of our Common Stock as of March 13, 2015 for the shares of our Common Stock underlying the Series A Warrants.

Series A Warrants

Market price per share of our Common Stock on March 13, 2015, the date the Note Offering closed:	\$0.21
Exercise price per share of the Series A Warrants on the date the Note Offering closed:	\$0.20
Total possible shares of Common Stock underlying the Series A Warrants on the date the Note Offering closed:	17,100,000
Aggregate market price of all shares of Common Stock underlying the Series A Warrants on the date the Note Offering closed, based on the market price of our Common Stock on March 13, 2015:	\$3,591,000

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Aggregate exercise price of all shares of Common Stock underlying the Series A Warrants on the date the Note Offering closed, based on the exercise price on the date of the date the Note Offering closed: \$3,420,000

Total possible discount of the exercise price of the Series A Warrants to the market price of our Common Stock as of March 13, 2015: \$171,000

We did not engage any underwriter or placement agent in connection with the 2014 Private Placement Financing. We also did not make any payments, in cash or equity, to any of the selling securityholders in connection with the 2014 Private Placement Financing, except that we have reimbursed Cranshire an aggregate cash amount of up to \$35,000 for costs and expenses incurred by it or its affiliates in connection with the transactions contemplated by the 2014 Private Placement Financing and the registration of the securities issued in the 2014 Private Placement Financing.

After deducting for the expense reimbursement to Cranshire, the net proceeds to us from the 2014 Private Placement Financing on the date it closed were approximately \$2.815 million. The table below describes in more detail these costs associated with the 2014 Private Placement Financing as of the date it closed:

Gross proceeds of the 2014 Private Placement Financing:	\$ 2,850,000(1)
Total potential payment to Cranshire as expense reimbursement:	\$ 35,000 (2)
Resulting net proceeds to the Company:	\$ 2,815,000(3)
Total possible profit to be realized by the selling securityholders as a result of any exercise discounts underlying the Series A Warrants:	\$ 912,000 (4)

Does not include (i) \$5,360,000 in gross proceeds paid to us upon the exercise of Series A Warrants (17,075,000 shares, 5,675,000 that were exercised on a cashless basis), Series B Warrants (4,000,000 shares), and Series C (1) Warrants (11,400,000 shares) that occurred on or prior to November 16, 2016; and (ii) potential gross proceeds payable to us upon exercise of the remaining 25,000 Anti-Dilution Shares, which would equal approximately \$5,000 if all such Anti-Dilution Shares were exercised on a cash basis.

This amount includes \$25,000 that was withheld from the purchase price paid to us by Cranshire for the securities it purchased in the 2014 Private Placement Financing, and up to \$10,000 that we agreed to pay to Cranshire as additional expense reimbursement. This amount does not include our fees and expenses associated with the 2014 Private Placement Financing, including our legal fees and registration fees, were estimated to total \$228,047. This amount also does not include additional payments that we may be required to make under certain circumstances but that are not currently determinable, including the following: (a) potential partial damages for failure to register and keep registered for the period specified in the 2014 Registration Rights Agreement the Common Stock issued in the 2014 Private Placement Financing or issuable upon exercise of the 2014 Warrants (in a cash amount equal to 1% of the price paid to us by each investor in the 2014 Private Placement Financing on the date of and on each (2) 30-day anniversary of such failure until the cure thereof, with no quantitative cap to the aggregate amount of such payments (provided that no such payments will be owed, other than with respect to a suspension or delisting of our Common Stock from the OTCQB, with respect to any period during which an investor's Registrable Securities may all be sold without restriction under Rule 144)); (b) amounts payable if we or our transfer agent fails to timely remove certain restrictive legends from certificates representing shares of Common Stock issued in the 2014 Private Placement Financing or issuable upon exercise of the 2014 Warrants; and (c) payments in respect of claims for which we provide indemnification in the Securities Purchase Agreement and the 2014 Registration Rights Agreement. Although we intend to comply with the requirements of the Securities Purchase Agreement and the 2014 Registration Rights Agreement and do not currently expect to make any such payments, it is possible that such payments may be required.

(3) Calculated by subtracting the total possible and currently determinable cash payments to selling securityholders or their affiliates from the gross proceeds to us from the 2014 Private Placement Financing.

(4) Calculated by adding the total possible discount of the exercise prices of the Series A Warrants the market price of our Common Stock as of January 30, 2014, as reflected in the table set forth above. Does not include the additional the additional \$171,000 in exercise discounts underlying the Series A Warrants resulting from the closing of the Notes Offering.

The Offering

This prospectus relates to the resale from time to time by the selling securityholders identified in this prospectus of up to 2,500,000 shares of our Common Stock issued or underlying the Series A Warrants issued in the 2014 Private Placement Financing. None of the shares to be registered hereby are being offered for sale by us.

Common Stock outstanding prior to November 17, 2016 137,857,075 (1)

Common Stock offered by the selling securityholders 2,500,000 (2)

Common Stock to be outstanding after the offering 137,857,075 (3)

Use of proceeds We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of Common Stock offered by the selling securityholders under this prospectus.

OTCQB symbol "ARTH"

Risk Factors See "**RISK FACTORS**" beginning on Page 6 and other information in this prospectus for a discussion of the factors you should consider before you decide to invest in our Common Stock and warrants.

As of November 16, 2016, includes an aggregate of 2,500,000 shares of our Common Stock issued to the selling (1) securityholders in connection with the 2014 Private Placement Financing. Includes 21,418,383 shares of Common Stock held by our affiliates.

(2) Consists of the 2,500,000 shares of Common Stock currently held by the selling securityholders that were originally issued in connection with the closing of the 2014 Private Placement Financing.

Excludes (i) 17,826,741 shares of Common Stock that are reserved for future issuance under our 2013 Stock Incentive Plan (the “**2013 Plan**”), of which 12,479,214 shares are subject to outstanding option awards granted under the 2013 Plan at exercise prices ranging from \$0.17 to \$0.72 per share and with a weighted average exercise price of \$0.33 per share; (ii) 145,985 shares of Common Stock issuable upon the exercise of outstanding warrants issued in connection with the Life Sciences Accelerator Funding Agreement that we entered into with the Massachusetts Life Sciences Center (“**MLSC**”) on September 30, 2013 and amended on September 28, 2016 (as amended, the “**MLSC Loan Agreement**”), with an exercise price of \$0.274 per share (the “**MLSC Warrant**”), none of which are (3) being registered pursuant to the 2016 S-3 Registration Statement of which this prospectus forms a part; (iii) 10,951,663 shares of Common Stock issuable upon the exercise of the Series D Warrants originally issued in the Company’s private placement financing that concluded on July 2, 2015 (the “**2015 Private Placement Financing**”), none of which are being registered pursuant to the 2016 S-3 Registration Statement of which this prospectus forms a part; and (iv) 6,258,323 shares of Common Stock issuable upon the exercise of the Series E Warrants originally issued in the Company’s private placement financing that concluded on May 26, 2016 (the “**2016 Private Placement Financing**”), none of which are being registered pursuant to the 2016 S-3 Registration Statement of which this prospectus forms a part.

RISK FACTORS

You should carefully consider all of the information in this prospectus and, in particular, you should evaluate the specific risk factors incorporated by reference herein and included or incorporated by reference in any applicable prospectus supplement.

USE OF PROCEEDS

We will not receive proceeds from the sale of Common Stock under this prospectus. We will, however, receive approximately \$220,000 from the selling securityholders if they exercise all of the Series A Warrants on a cash basis (assuming, in each case, no adjustments are made to the exercise price or number of shares issuable upon exercise of the Series A Warrants), which we expect we would use primarily for working capital purposes. We also expect we may use a portion of any such proceeds we may receive to satisfy our indebtedness to MLSC. In particular, pursuant to the Life MLSC Loan Agreement, we are required to amortize the principal and accrued interest under the MLSC Loan Agreement by making 13 monthly payments of approximately \$106,022 each to MLSC commencing on October 3, 2016. In addition, the remaining principal and accrued interest under the MLSC Loan Agreement will become immediately due and payable on the earlier of (i) the completion of a sale of substantially all of our assets, a change-of-control transaction or one or more financing transactions in which we receive net proceeds of \$5,000,000 at any time after October 3, 2016; and (ii) the occurrence of an event of default by us under the MLSC Loan Agreement.

DETERMINATION OF OFFERING PRICE

The selling securityholders will determine at what price they may sell the shares of Common Stock offered by this prospectus, and such sales may be made at prevailing market prices, at prices related to the prevailing market price or at privately negotiated prices.

SELLING SECURITYHOLDERS

This prospectus covers the resale from time to time by the selling securityholders identified in the table below of up to an aggregate of 2,500,000 shares of our Common Stock that were issued in the 2014 Private Placement Financing, and that remained outstanding as of November 16, 2016. For additional information regarding the issuance of the shares of Common Stock and the Series A Warrants, see the description under “**PROSPECTUS SUMMARY | 2014 PRIVATE PLACEMENT FINANCING**” elsewhere in this prospectus.

We are registering the shares of Common Stock hereby pursuant to the terms of the 2014 Registration Rights Agreement among us and the 2014 Investors in order to permit the selling securityholders identified in the table below to offer the shares for resale from time to time.

The table below (i) lists the selling securityholders and other information regarding the beneficial ownership and the rules and regulations thereunder) of our Common Stock by each of the selling securityholders (including securities issued in transactions unrelated to the 2014 Private Placement Financing, if any); (ii) has been prepared based upon information furnished to us by the selling securityholders; and, (iii) to our knowledge, is accurate as of the date of this prospectus. The selling securityholders may sell all, some or none of their shares in this offering. See the disclosure under the heading “**PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION**” elsewhere in this prospectus. The selling securityholders identified in the table below may have sold, transferred or otherwise disposed of some or all of their shares since the date of this prospectus in transactions exempt from or not subject to the registration requirements of the Securities Act. Information concerning the selling securityholders may change from time to time and, if necessary, we will amend or supplement this prospectus accordingly and as required.

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
Name of Selling Securityholder	Number of Shares of Common Stock Issued and Issuable (1)	Number of Shares of Common Stock Beneficially Owned Prior to this Offering	Maximum Number of Shares of Common Stock to be Sold Pursuant to this Prospectus (2)	Number of Shares of Common Stock Beneficially Owned After This Offering (3)	Percentage of Shares of Common Stock Beneficially Owned After This Offering (4)
Heng Hong Ltd (5)	2,205,000	2,205,000	2,100,000	105,000	0.08 %
Ocean Creation Investments Limited (6)	210,000	210,000	200,000	10,000	0.01 %
Karmdeep & Harpreet Bains (7)	210,000	210,000	200,000	10,000	0.01 %
Total	2,625,000	2,625,000	2,500,000	125,000	0.09 %

Reflects the total number of shares of Common Stock held or issuable to each selling securityholder including, to the extent applicable, all other securities issued in transactions unrelated to the 2014 Private Placement Financing, (1) if any, none of which are being registered in this 2016 S-3 Registration Statement of which this prospectus forms a part and in each case without regard to any ownership limitations upon the exercise or conversion of such securities.

(2) For each selling securityholder, the totals reported in this column reflect the total number of shares of Common Stock registered for resale under the 2016 S-3 Registration Statement of which this prospectus forms a part.

(3) For each selling securityholder and to the extent applicable, the totals reported in this column assume that (a) all of the shares of Common Stock to be registered by the 2016 S-3 Registration Statement of which this prospectus forms a part, including the shares of Common Stock held by such selling securityholder that were issued in connection with the closing of the 2014 Private Placement Financing are sold in this offering; (b) the selling securityholders do not sell, to the extent applicable, any of the securities that have been issued to them in transactions unrelated to the 2014 Private Placement Financing and included in Column 2; and (c) the selling securityholders do not acquire additional shares of our Common Stock after November 16, 2016 and prior to

completion of this offering.

Percentage ownership for each selling securityholder is determined in accordance with Section 13(d) of the (4) Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “**Exchange Act**”), and is based on 137,857,075 outstanding shares of our Common Stock as of November 16, 2016.

Daniel MacMullin, in his capacity as the Managing Partner of Heng Hong Ltd (“**Heng Hong**”), has investment (5) discretion and voting power over the shares held by Heng Hong. As a result, Mr. MacMullin may be deemed to have beneficial ownership (as determined under Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act) of the securities held by Heng Hong that are covered hereunder. Mr. MacMullin disclaims any such beneficial ownership of such securities.

Mr. MacMullin and Heng Hong may be deemed to have beneficial of 2,205,000 shares of Common Stock, which consists of the following: (i) 2,100,000 shares of Common Stock issued to Heng Hong in the 2014 Private Placement Financing; and (ii) 105,000 Inducement Shares issued to Heng Hong, none of which are being registered in the 2016 S-3 Registration Statement of which this prospectus forms a part.

Norman Winata, in his capacity as the Managing Member of Ocean Creation Investments Limited, has investment (6) discretion and voting power over the shares held by Ocean Creation Investments Limited (“**OCIL**”). As a result, Mr. Winata may be deemed to have beneficial ownership (as determined under Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act) of the securities held by OCIL that are covered hereunder. Mr. Winata disclaims any such beneficial ownership of such securities.

Mr. Winata and OCIL may be deemed to have beneficial ownership of 210,000 shares of Common Stock, which consists of the following: (i) 200,000 shares of Common Stock issued to OCIL in the 2014 Private Placement Financing; and (ii) 10,000 Inducement Shares issued to OCIL, none of which are being registered in the 2016 S-3 Registration Statement of which this prospectus forms a part.

Mr. and Ms Bains may be deemed to have beneficial ownership of 210,000 shares of Common Stock, which (7) consists of the following: (i) 200,000 shares of Common Stock issued to Mr. and Ms. Bains in the 2014 Private Placement Financing; and (ii) 10,000 Inducement Shares issued to Mr. and Ms. Bains, none of which are being registered in the 2016 S-3 Registration Statement of which this prospectus forms a part.

Except for the ownership of the Common Stock, 2014 Warrants issued in the 2014 Private Placement Financing and as otherwise described in the table above and this “Selling Securityholder” section, (a) we have not made, and are not required to make, any potential payments regarding the 2014 Private Placement Financing to any selling securityholder, any affiliate of a selling securityholder, or any person with whom any selling securityholder has a contractual relationship, and (b) none of the selling securityholders has, or has had within the past three years, any material relationship with us or any of our predecessors or affiliates. Additionally, none of the selling securityholders holds any of our securities, other than those issued in the 2014 Private Placement Financing, that have been registered under the Securities Act or that are entitled to registration rights thereunder. We have also been advised that none of the selling securityholders is a broker-dealer or an affiliate of a broker-dealer.

We have made no payments, in cash or equity, to any of the selling securityholders in connection with this offering, except that we have reimbursed Cranshire an aggregate cash amount of up to \$35,000 for costs and expenses incurred by it or its affiliates in connection with the transactions contemplated by the 2014 Private Placement Financing and the registration of the securities being registered hereby. Additionally, we may be required to make certain payments to the investors in the 2014 Private Placement Financing under certain circumstances in the future pursuant to the terms of the 2014 SPA and the 2014 Registration Rights Agreement. These potential future payments include the following: (a) potential partial damages for failure to register and keep registered for the period specified in the 2014 Registration Rights Agreement the Common Stock issued in the 2014 Private Placement Financing or issuable upon exercise of the Warrants (in a cash amount equal to 1% of the price paid to us by each investor in the 2014 Private Placement Financing on the date of and on each 30-day anniversary of such failure until the cure thereof, with no quantitative cap to the aggregate amount of such payments (provided that no such payments will be owed, other than with respect to a suspension or delisting of our Common Stock from the OTCQB, with respect to any period during which an investor's Registrable Securities may all be sold without restriction under Rule 144)); (b) amounts payable if we or our transfer agent fails to timely remove certain restrictive legends from certificates representing shares of Common Stock issued in the 2014 Private Placement Financing or issuable upon exercise of the 2014 Warrants; and (c) payments in respect of claims for which we provide indemnification in the 2014 SPA and the 2014 Registration Rights Agreement. Although we intend to comply with the requirements of the 2014 SPA and the 2014 Registration Rights Agreement and do not currently expect to make any such payments, it is possible that such payments may be required.

DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES

General

Effective May 24, 2013, we amended our Articles of Incorporation to increase our authorized Common Stock from 75,000,000 shares to 300,000,000 shares. Other than our Common Stock, we have no other class or series of authorized capital stock.

As of November 16, 2016, we had 137,857,075 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding. Of our issued and outstanding shares of Common Stock, we are registering under the registration statement, of which this prospectus forms a part, 2,500,000 shares of Common Stock that were issued in connection with the 2014 Private Placement Financing and outstanding as of November 16, 2016.

The additional shares of our authorized stock available for issuance may be issued at times and under circumstances so as to have a dilutive effect on earnings per share and on the equity ownership of the holders of our Common Stock. The ability of our Board to issue additional shares of stock could enhance the Board's ability to negotiate on behalf of the stockholders in a takeover situation but could also be used by the Board to make a change-in-control more difficult, thereby denying stockholders the potential to sell their shares at a premium and entrenching current

management. The following description is a summary of the material provisions of our capital stock. You should refer to our articles of incorporation, as amended, and bylaws, both of which are on file with the SEC as exhibits to previous SEC filings, for additional information. The summary below is qualified by provisions of applicable law.

Common Stock

The holders of our Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share, are entitled to one vote per share on all matters submitted to a vote of our stockholders, including the election of directors. Our articles of incorporation do not provide for cumulative voting in the election of directors, and our amended and restated bylaws provide that directors are elected by a plurality vote of the votes cast and entitled to vote on the election of directors at any meeting for the election of directors at which a quorum is present. Matters other than the election of directors to be voted on by stockholders are generally approved if, at a duly convened stockholder meeting, the number of votes cast in favor of the action exceeds the number of votes cast in opposition to the action, unless a different vote for the action is required by applicable law, our articles of incorporation or our amended and restated bylaws. Applicable Nevada law requires any amendment to our articles of incorporation to be approved by stockholders holding shares entitling them to exercise at least a majority of the voting power of the Company. The holders of our Common Stock will be entitled to cash dividends as may be declared, if any, by the Board from funds available. Upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of our Company, the holders of our Common Stock (the “**Common Stockholders**”) will be entitled to receive pro rata all assets available for distribution to the holders. All rights of our Common Stockholders described in this paragraph could be subject to any preferential voting, liquidation or other rights of any series of preferred stock that we may authorize and issue in the future. Our Common Stock is presently traded on the QB tier of the OTC Marketplace under the trading symbol “**ARTH**”.

Anti-Takeover Provisions of Nevada State Law

Some features of the Nevada Revised Statutes (“**NRS**”), which are further described below, may have the effect of deterring third parties from making takeover bids for control of us or may be used to hinder or delay a takeover bid. This would decrease the chance that our stockholders would realize a premium over market price for their shares of Common Stock as a result of a takeover bid.

Acquisition of Controlling Interest

The NRS contain provisions governing acquisition of a controlling interest of a Nevada corporation. These provisions provide generally that any person or entity that acquires a certain percentage of the outstanding voting shares of a Nevada corporation may be denied voting rights with respect to the acquired shares, unless certain criteria are satisfied. Our amended and restated bylaws provide that these provisions will not apply to us or to any existing or future stockholder or stockholders.

Combination with Interested Stockholder

The NRS contain provisions governing combinations of a Nevada corporation that has 200 or more stockholders of record with an “interested stockholder.” These provisions only apply to a Nevada corporation that, at the time the potential acquirer became an interested stockholder, has a class or series of voting shares listed on a national securities exchange, or has a class or series of voting shares traded in an “organized market” and satisfies certain specified public float and stockholder levels. As we do not now meet those requirements, we do not believe that these provisions are currently applicable to us. However, to the extent they become applicable to us in the future, they may have the effect of delaying or making it more difficult to affect a change in control of the Company in the future.

A corporation affected by these provisions may not engage in a combination within two years after the interested stockholder acquires his, her or its shares unless the combination or purchase is approved by the board of directors before the interested stockholder acquired such shares. Generally, if approval is not obtained, then after the expiration of the two-year period, the business combination may be consummated with the approval of the board of directors before the person became an interested stockholder or a majority of the voting power held by disinterested stockholders, or if the consideration to be received per share by disinterested stockholders is at least equal to the highest of:

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the highest price per share paid by the interested stockholder within the three years immediately preceding the date of the announcement of the combination or within three years immediately before, or in, the transaction in which he, she or it became an interested stockholder, whichever is higher;

the market value per share on the date of announcement of the combination or the date the person became an interested stockholder, whichever is higher; or

- if higher for the holders of preferred stock, the highest liquidation value of the preferred stock, if any.

Generally, these provisions define an interested stockholder as a person who is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly of 10% or more of the voting power of the outstanding voting shares of a corporation, and define combination to include any merger or consolidation with an interested stockholder, or any sale, lease, exchange, mortgage, pledge, transfer or other disposition, in one transaction or a series of transactions with an interested stockholder of assets of the corporation:

having an aggregate market value equal to 5% or more of the aggregate market value of the assets of the corporation;

having an aggregate market value equal to 5% or more of the aggregate market value of all outstanding shares of the corporation; or

- representing 10% or more of the earning power or net income of the corporation.

Warrants and Options Issued and Outstanding

As of November 16, 2016 there were issued and outstanding:

Series A Warrants to purchase 25,000 shares (none of which have been registered for resale under the 2016 S-3 Registration Statement of which this prospectus forms a part) of Common Stock issuable thereunder at an exercise price of \$0.20 per share;

Series D Warrants to purchase 10,951,663 shares of Common Stock issuable thereunder at an exercise price of \$0.25 per share;

Series E Warrants to purchase 6,258,323 shares of Common Stock issuable thereunder at an exercise price of \$0.4380 per share; and

The MLSC Warrant issued to MLSC in connection with the MLSC Loan Agreement to purchase up to 145,985 shares of Common Stock with an exercise price of \$0.274 per share.

Options granted to employees, directors and consultants under the 2013 Plan to purchase up to an aggregate of 12,479,214 shares of Common Stock at exercise prices ranging from \$0.17 to \$0.72 per share and with a weighted average exercise price of \$0.33 per share.

Transfer Agent

The transfer agent for our Common Stock is Empire Stock Transfer. Our transfer agent's address is 1859 Whitney Mesa Drive, Henderson, Nevada 89014.

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We are registering (i) the shares of Common Stock issued; and (ii) the shares of Common Stock issuable upon exercise of the Series A Warrants, in each case, issued originally to the 2014 Investors in the 2014 Private Placement Financing to permit the resale of these shares of Common Stock by the selling securityholders from time to time after the date of this prospectus. We will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale by the selling securityholders of the shares of Common Stock. We will bear all fees and expenses incident to our obligation to register the shares of Common Stock.

The selling securityholders may sell all or a portion of the shares of Common Stock held by them and offered hereby from time to time directly or through one or more underwriters, broker-dealers or agents. If the shares of Common Stock are sold through underwriters or broker-dealers, the selling securityholders will be responsible for underwriting discounts or commissions or agent's commissions. The shares of Common Stock may be sold in one or more transactions at fixed prices, at prevailing market prices at the time of the sale, at varying prices determined at the time of sale or at negotiated prices. These sales may be effected in transactions, which may involve crosses or block transactions, pursuant to one or more of the following methods:

- on any national securities exchange or quotation service on which the securities may be listed or quoted at the time of sale;
- in the over-the-counter market;
- in transactions otherwise than on these exchanges or systems or in the over-the-counter market;
- through the writing or settlement of options, whether such options are listed on an options exchange or otherwise;
- ordinary brokerage transactions and transactions in which the broker-dealer solicits purchasers;
- block trades in which the broker-dealer will attempt to sell the shares as agent but may position and resell a portion of the block as principal to facilitate the transaction;
- purchases by a broker-dealer as principal and resale by the broker-dealer for its account;
- an exchange distribution in accordance with the rules of the applicable exchange;