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OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading PERCEPTIVE ADVISORS LLC Issuer Symbol ACELRX PHARMACEUTICALS (Check all applicable) INC [ACRX] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director X 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 51 ASTOR PLACE, 10TH FLOOR, 09/28/2016 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting NEW YORK, NY 10003 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 7. Nature of 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 6. Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect

(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4			Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	09/28/2016		S	119,300	D	\$ 3.9596	5,483,610	I	See Footnotes $(1) (2)$
Common Stock	09/29/2016		S	97,200	D	\$ 3.8798	5,386,410	I	See Footnotes (1) (2)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Secur	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
PERCEPTIVE ADVISORS LLC 51 ASTOR PLACE, 10TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10003		Х				
EDELMAN JOSEPH C/O PERCEPTIVE ADVISORS LLC 51 ASTOR PLACE, 10TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10003		Х				
PERCEPTIVE LIFE SCIENCES MASTER FUND LTD C/O PERCEPTIVE ADVISORS LLC 51 ASTOR PLACE, 10TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10003		Х				
Signatures						
/s/ Joseph Edelman, managing member of Perceptive Advi LLC	sors	09/30	/2016			
**Signature of Reporting Person		Da	te			

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).

This Form 4 is being filed by Perceptive Life Sciences Master Fund Ltd. (the "Master Fund"), Perceptive Advisors LLC (the "Advisor")
(1) and Joseph Edelman. The Advisor serves as the investment manager of Master Fund and to a managed account (the "Managed Account") for Titan Perc, Ltd. Mr. Edelman is the managing member of the Advisor.

(2) This amount reflects the amount of securities held by the Master Fund and the Managed Account immediately following the transaction requiring the filing of this statement. In accordance with Instruction 5(b)(iv) of Form 4, the entire amount of the Issuer's securities held by Master Fund and the Managed Account is reported herein. Each of Mr. Edelman and the Advisor disclaims, for purposes of Section 16 of

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the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, beneficial ownership of such securities, except to the extent of his/its indirect pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that either Mr. Edelman or the Advisor is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes.

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