ACELRX PHARMACEUTICALS INC

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **ADAMS ADRIAN**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Symbol

Issuer

below)

ACELRX PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ACRX]

(Middle)

(Zip)

X_ Director 10% Owner

Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

02/11/2013

C/O AUXILIUM

(Last)

PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 640 LEE ROAD

(Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Instr. 4)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Officer (give title

CHESTERBROOK, PA 197087

(City) (State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(A)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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

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(Instr. 4)

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

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Stock Option (Right to Buy) (1)	\$ 5.45	02/11/2013		A	15,000	03/11/2013(2)(3)	02/10/2023	Common Stock	15,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ADAMS ADRIAN C/O AUXILIUM PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 640 LEE ROAD CHESTERBROOK, PA 197087

X

Signatures

/s/ Christopher Whitmore,
Attorney-in-fact
02/12/2013

**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) Issued pursuant to the 2011 Equity Incentive Plan.
- (2) The shares subject to the option vest as follows: 1/36 of the shares subject to the option vest on an equal monthly basis over the 36 months following the Vesting Commencement Date of 2/11/2013.
- (3) Subject to full vesting acceleration as of immediately prior to the effective date of certain change in control transactions involving the Company.

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