

ACELRX PHARMACEUTICALS INC

Form 4

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 1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
EDWARDS MARK G

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O ACELRX
 PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 351
 GALVESTON DRIVE**

(Street)

REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
 Symbol
**ACELRX PHARMACEUTICALS
 INC [ACRX]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
06/21/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original
 Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
 Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
 Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
 Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Common Stock (Right to Buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 2.87	06/21/2016		A	15,000	07/21/2016 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾ 06/20/2026	Common Stock 15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
EDWARDS MARK G C/O ACELRX PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 351 GALVESTON DRIVE REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063	X			

Signatures

/s/ Martha Adler,
Attorney-in-fact 06/22/2016

__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: 1/24th of the shares subject to the option vest in equal monthly installments over 24 months, subject to Optionee's Continuous Service on the Company's Board of Directors.

(3) 100% Acceleration upon Change of Control.

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