### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* PERCEPTIVE ADVISORS LLC			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ACELRX PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ACRX]	1			
(Last) 499 PARK AV	(First) /ENUE, 25TH I	(Middle) FLOOR,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/06/2013	(Check all applicable) Director X 10% Owner Officer (give title below) (specify below)			
(Street) NEW YORK (City)	NY (State)	10022 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person  X 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. Transac Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			ed of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	11/06/2013		Р		93,500	Α	\$ 6.5166	6,467,560	I	See Footnotes	
Common Stock	11/06/2013		Р		6,500	Α	\$ 6.5166	6,474,060	ı	See Footnotes	
Common Stock	11/07/2013		Р		93,500	Α	\$ 6.4981	6,567,560	ı	See Footnotes	
Common Stock	11/07/2013		Р		6,500	Α	\$ 6.4981	6,574,060	ı	See Footnotes	

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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. Transac Code (Instr. 8			ired sed				
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

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

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

7. Title and

Underlying

(Instr. 3 and

Amount or Number

of

Shares

Amount of

Securities

8. Price of

Derivative

(Instr. 5)

9. Number of

Derivative

Beneficially

Securities

Owned Following

Reported

Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)

10.

Ownership

Derivative

Security: Direct (D)

or Indirect

(Instr. 4)

Form of

11. Nature of Indirect

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

- 2. This transaction reflects the purchase of securities by the Advisor on behalf of the Master Fund.
- 3. This amount reflects the total 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 the Master Fund and the Managed Account is reported herein. Each of Mr. Edelman and the Advisor disclaims, for purposes of Section 16 of 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 Mr. Edelman or the Advisor is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes.

managing member of
Perceptive Advisors LLC

\*\* Signature of Reporting

Date

11/11/2013

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

- \* 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). Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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### Information Regarding Joint Filers

Designated Filer of Form 4: Perceptive Advisors LLC

Date of Earliest Transaction Required to be Reported: November 6, 2013

Issuer Name and Ticker Symbol: AcelRx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [ACRX]

Names: Perceptive Life Sciences Master Fund Ltd. and Joseph Edelman

Address: Perceptive Advisors LLC 499 Park Avenue, 25th Floor

New York, NY 10022

### Signatures:

The undersigned, Perceptive Life Sciences Master Fund Ltd. and Joseph Edelman, are jointly filing the attached Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership of Securities on Form 4 with Perceptive Advisors LLC with respect to the beneficial ownership of securities of AcelRX Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Perceptive Life Sciences Master Fund Ltd.

By: Perceptive Advisors LLC, its investment manager

By: /s/ Joseph Edelman

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Joseph Edelman, managing member

JOSEPH EDELMAN

/s/ Joseph Edelman

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By: Joseph Edelman