#### ACELRX PHARMACEUTICALS INC

Form 4

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(Print or Type Resp	onses)							
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Hamel Lawrence G		ing Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ACELRX PHARMACEUTICALS	Reporting Pers	· ,			
			INC [ACRX]	(Check	ан аррисавіс	)		
(Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O ACELRX PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 351 GALVESTON DRIVE		` ,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/18/2013	Director 10% OwX Officer (give title Other (spelow)		er (specify		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joi	nt/Group Filin	g(Check		
REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063			Filed(Month/Day/Year)		One Reporting Person More than One Reporting			

REDWOOD CITY, CA 94003	
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(City)	(State) (2	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of	
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	TransactionAcquired (A) or			Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect	
(Instr. 3)	any		Code Disposed of (D)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial			
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	nstr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
					(4)		Reported			
				(A) or		Transaction(s)				
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	11/18/2013		A	3,433	A	\$ 1.2	36,661	D		
Common Stock	11/18/2013		D	1,000	D	\$ 8.3	35,661	D		

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. Number iomf Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ve Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 1.2	10/17/2013		D		3,433	<u>(1)</u>	04/03/2017	Common Stock	3,433

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hamel Lawrence G

C/O ACELRX PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

351 GALVESTON DRIVE REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063 Chief Development Officer

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## **Signatures**

/s/ Christopher Whitmore,

Attorney-in-Fact

11/20/2013

\*\*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) The shares subject to the option vest as follows: 1/4 of the shares subject to the option vest on September 20, 2007 with the remaining shares subject to the option vesting on an equal monthly basis over the following 36 months.

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