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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Adorini Luciano

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Symbol

INTERCEPT

PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ICPT]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner

(Month/Day/Year) 11/16/2012

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Chief Scientific Officer

C/O INTERCEPT PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 18

DESBROSSES ST.

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Issuer

NEW YORK, NY 10013

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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)

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	vative Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) iried (A) sposed of :. 3, 4,		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
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	11/16/2012	<u>(4)</u>	A	10,384	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	10,384
Options to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 21.5	11/16/2012	<u>(4)</u>	A	6,923	(3)	11/16/2022	Common Stock	6,923

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Adorini Luciano C/O INTERCEPT PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 18 DESBROSSES ST. NEW YORK, NY 10013			Chief Scientific Officer			

Signatures

/s/ Barbara Duncan, as Attorney-in-fact

**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) Each restricted stock unit represents the contingent right to receive one share of common stock upon vesting of the unit.
 - 31.25% of the shares underlying the restricted stock units, representing the shares that would have vested on a quarterly basis from January 1, 2012 until March 31, 2013, will vest on April 9, 2013, subject to the terms and conditions of the award and the Intercept
- (2) Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 2012 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2012 Plan"). The remainder of the shares originally underlying the restricted stock units will vest pro rata on a quarterly basis from April 1, 2013 through January 1, 2016, subject to the terms and conditions of the award and the 2012 Plan.
- 25% of the shares underlying this option will vest on January 1, 2013, and the remainder of the shares originally underlying this option (3) will vest pro rata on a monthly basis starting from February 1, 2013 through January 1, 2016, subject to the terms and conditions of the award and the 2012 Plan.
- (4) Not applicable.

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