

INTERCEPT PHARMACEUTICALS INC  
 Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 AKKARAJU SRINIVAS

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 INTERCEPT  
 PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ICPT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 11/18/2012

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

C/O INTERCEPT  
 PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 18  
 DESBROSSES STREET

(Street)

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

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

NEW YORK, NY 10013

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			(A) or (D)	Code V	Amount	Price	

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. 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	11/18/2012	<u>(4)</u>	A	2,596	<u>(2)</u> <u>(2)</u>	Common Stock      2,596
Options to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 21.5	11/18/2012	<u>(4)</u>	A	11,249	<u>(3)</u> 11/18/2022	Common Stock      11,249

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
AKKARAJU SRINIVAS C/O INTERCEPT PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 18 DESBROSSES STREET NEW YORK, NY 10013	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Barbara Duncan, as Attorney-in-fact      11/20/2012

         \*\*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.  
The shares underlying the restricted stock units are deemed to vest on a pro rata basis from October 16, 2012 (the "Vesting Start Date") until October 16, 2014 on each three month anniversary of the Vesting Start Date. 12.5% of the shares underlying the restricted stock units, representing the shares that would have vested on January 16, 2013, will vest on April 9, 2013, subject to the terms and conditions of the award and the Intercept 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 each subsequent three month anniversary of the Vesting Start Date starting from April 16, 2013 through October 16, 2014, subject to the terms and conditions of the award and the 2012 Plan.
- (2) 4.1667% of the shares underlying this option vested as of November 18, 2012, the date of grant, and the remainder of the shares underlying this option will vest pro rata on a monthly basis starting from December 16, 2012 through October 16, 2014, subject to the terms and conditions of the award and the 2012 Plan.
- (3) Not applicable.
- (4) Not applicable.

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