ACCELERON PHARMA INC
Form 4
September 18, 2015

# FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Sherman Matthew L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

128 SIDNEY STREET

(Street)

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
ACCELERON PHARMA INC [XLRN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
09/16/2015

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP & Chief Medical Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ 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 | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 09/16/2015 | | S[(1)] | | 1,100 | D | $ 32.22 [(2)] | 96,904 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/16/2015 | | S[(1)] | | 300 | D | $ 33.55 [(3)] | 96,604 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/16/2015 | | S[(1)] | | 200 | D | $ 34.93 [(4)] | 96,404 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/16/2015 | | S[(1)] | | 400 | D | $ 34.96 | 9,700 | I | By GRAT |

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. 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) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

# Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Sherman Matthew L<br>128 SIDNEY STREET<br>CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139 | | | EVP & Chief Medical Officer | |

# Signatures

| /s/ John D. Quisel, as attorney-in-fact for Matthew L. Sherman | 09/18/2015 |
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| **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 reported transactions were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.

**(2)** The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from $31.85 to $32.54, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Acceleron Pharma Inc., any security holder of Acceleron Pharma Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote (2) to this Form 4.

**(3)** The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from $32.95 to $33.92, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Acceleron Pharma Inc., any security holder of Acceleron Pharma Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote (3) to this Form 4.

**(4)** The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from $34.85 to $35.01, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Acceleron Pharma Inc., any security holder of Acceleron Pharma Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote (4) to this Form 4.

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