

INTERCEPT PHARMACEUTICALS INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 Shapiro David

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 CMO and EVP - Development

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 C/O INTERCEPT  
 PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 450  
 W. 15TH STREET, SUITE 505  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/18/2015

NEW YORK, NY 10011  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |  |
| Common Stock                    | 12/18/2015                           |  | M                              | A   | \$ 8.6667   | 32,131   | D  |
| Common Stock                    | 12/18/2015                           |  | M                              | A   | \$ 21.5   | 39,602   | D  |
| Common Stock                    | 12/18/2015                           |  | M                              | A   | \$ 31.9   | 39,821   | 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. 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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Option to Purchase Common Stock            | \$ 8.6667  | 12/18/2015                           |  | M                              | 3,736   | <sup>(1)</sup> 10/13/2021                                | Common Stock  | 3,736                         |
| Option to Purchase Common Stock            | \$ 21.5  | 12/18/2015                           |  | M                              | 7,471   | <sup>(2)</sup> 11/16/2022                                | Common Stock  | 7,471                         |
| Option to Purchase Common Stock            | \$ 31.9  | 12/18/2015                           |  | M                              | 219   | <sup>(3)</sup> 05/07/2023                                | Common Stock  | 219                           |

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

Shapiro David  
C/O INTERCEPT PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.  
450 W. 15TH STREET, SUITE 505  
NEW YORK, NY 10011

CMO and EVP - Development

## Signatures

/s/ Bryan Yoon, as  
attorney-in-fact

12/22/2015

\*\*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) All shares underlying this option have vested.
- (2) The remainder of the shares originally underlying this option vest on a pro rata monthly basis through January 1, 2016, subject to the terms and conditions the award and the Intercept Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 2012 Equity Incentive Plan.
- (3) The remainder of the shares originally underlying this option vest on a pro rata monthly basis through January 1, 2017, subject to the terms and conditions the award and the Intercept Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 2012 Equity Incentive Plan.

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