

Shapiro David  
Form 4  
November 20, 2012

**FORM 4**

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Shapiro David

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10013

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

INTERCEPT  
PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ICPT]

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

11/16/2012

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)

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	(D)	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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	11/16/2012	(4)	A		25,961		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	25,961
Options to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 21.5	11/16/2012	(4)	A		17,307		(3)	11/16/2022	Common Stock	17,307

## Reporting Owners

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

## 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.

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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