FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  AKKARAJU SRINIVAS  (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O INTERCEPT PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.  10 HUDSON YARDS, FLOOR 37						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol INTERCEPT PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. [ICPT]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/20/2018  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Neck all ap X Dire Offi belo	olicable) otor er (give title w)		Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner Other (specify below)		
(Street) NEW YO			10001 (Zip)		-											X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Tab	le I - I	Non-Deri	vative	Sec	uritie	s A	cquired,	Dis	posed	of, or	Ben	eficia	lly Own	ed				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/N					y/Year)	Exec	Deemed cution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (ADisposed Of (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)			5. Amo Securi Benefi Owned	ties For cially (D) Ind		n: Direct or rect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
									Code	v	Amount	i (A	) or )	Price	Repor Trans			,	,	
Common Stock 06/20/20						18			A		1,787	787 <sup>(1)</sup> A		\$ <mark>0</mark>	1	16,456		D		
Common Stock															23	234,375			See footnote <sup>(2)</sup>	
	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	if any	emed cion Date, n/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Exe Expiration (Month/Day	Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ins		of es ing ve	tr. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
						V (A)		(D)	Date Exercisable		piration ate	Title	or Nu of	nount mber ares						
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$85.12	06/20/2018			A		2,748		(3)	06	5/20/2028	Commo Stock	n 2,	748	\$0	2,748		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Represents restricted stock units granted to the Reporting Person. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's Common Stock. All of the shares subject to the award shall vest on the earlier of (i) the one-year anniversary of the date of grant and (ii) the day immediately preceding the date of the Issuer's 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders
- 2. Shares held by Samsara BioCapital, L.P. ("Samsara BioCapital"). The reporting person is a managing member of Samsara BioCapital GP, LLC, the general partner of Samsara BioCapital. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares except to the extent of the Reporting Person's pecuniary interest therein.
- 3. All of the shares subject to the award shall vest and become exercisable on the earlier of (i) the one-year anniversary of the date of grant and (ii) the day immediately preceding the date of the Issuer's 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

/s/ Mark Pruzanski, as 06/22/2018 attorney-in-fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  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).

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