

MCLAUGHLIN KEVIN F

Form 4

January 04, 2018

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MCLAUGHLIN KEVIN F

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
128 SIDNEY STREET
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/02/2018

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
SVP, CFO and Treasurer

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

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

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Person

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/02/2018		S ⁽¹⁾	4,000 D	\$ 42.42 (2) 45,300	D	
Common Stock	01/03/2018		M	6,251 A	\$ 3.88 51,551	D	
Common Stock	01/03/2018		M	6,250 A	\$ 5.28 57,801	D	
Common Stock	01/04/2018		S ⁽¹⁾	14,800 D	\$ 43 (3) 43,001	D	
Common Stock	01/04/2018		S ⁽¹⁾	200 D	\$ 43.84 42,801	D	

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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	\$ 3.88	01/03/2018		M	6,251	<u>(5)</u> 12/02/2020	Common Stock	6,251
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 5.28	01/03/2018		M	6,250	<u>(6)</u> 12/16/2021	Common Stock	6,250

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
MCLAUGHLIN KEVIN F 128 SIDNEY STREET CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139	SVP, CFO and Treasurer

Signatures

/s/ John D. Quisel, as attorney-in-fact for Kevin F.
McLaughlin

01/04/2018

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(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 \$42.06 to \$42.83 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 \$42.74 to \$43.64 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 \$43.79 to \$43.90 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.

(5) The options of registrant's common stock vested as to 25% of the shares on the first anniversary of the grant and in equal installments quarterly thereafter.

(6) The options of registrant's common stock vested in equal quarterly installments over the first four years after the grant.

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