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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

may continue.

See Instruction

ř			Aclaris Therapeutics, Inc. [ACRS]			(Check all applicable)					
(Last) 780 THIRD FLOOR,	(Month/Day/Ye 0 THIRD AVENUE, 37TH 01/11/2019			ay/Year)	9			Director	_X_ 10)% Owner her (specify	
(Street) 4. If				Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction (Month/Day/Y	ear) Executi	emed fon Date, if /Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) or (A) or)	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								4,481,788	I	Deerfield Partners, L.P. (1) (2)	
Common Stock								1,411,628	I	Through Deerfield Special Situations Fund, L.P. (1) (2)	

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

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 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. DrNumber 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 I S (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Cash-Settled Total Return Swap (3)	\$ 7	01/11/2019		J/K	1 (3)	<u>(3)</u>	01/19/2022	Common Stock	1,851	
Cash-Settled Total Return Swap (4)	\$ 6.969 (5)	01/14/2019		J/K	1 (4)	<u>(4)</u>	01/19/2022	Common Stock	61,789	
Cash-Settled Total Return Swap (6)	\$ 6.931 <u>(7)</u>	01/15/2019		J/K	1 (6)	<u>(6)</u>	01/19/2022	Common Stock	48,254	

Reporting Owners

		Relationships		
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Flynn James E 780 THIRD AVENUE, 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017		X		
Deerfield Mgmt L.P. 780 THIRD AVENUE 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017		X		
		X		

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DEERFIELD MANAGEMENT COMPANY, L.P. (SERIES C) 780 THIRD AVENUE, 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017

Deerfield Special Situations Fund, L.P. 780 3RD AVENUE 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017

DEERFIELD PARTNERS, L.P. 780 THIRD AVENUE 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017 Group

X

Possible Member of a 10%

Signatures

/s/ Jonathan Isler, Attorney-in-Fact 01/18/2019

**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).
- This Form 4 is being filed by the undersigned as well as the entities listed on the Joint Filer Information Statement attached as an exhibit hereto (the "Reporting Persons"). Deerfield Mgmt, L.P. is the general partner of Deerfield Partners, L.P. ("Deerfield Partners") and Deerfield Special Situations Fund, L.P. (collectively with Deerfield Partners, the "Funds"). Deerfield Management Company, L.P. is the investment manager of the Funds. James E. Flynn is the sole member of the general partner of each of Deerfield Mgmt, L.P. and Deerfield Management Company, L.P.
- In accordance with Instruction 4(b)(iv) to Form 4, the entire amount of the Issuer's securities held by the Funds is reported herein. For purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, each Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of any such securities, except to the extent of his/its indirect pecuniary interest therein, if any, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that such Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or otherwise.
- On January 11, 2019, Deerfield Partners entered into a cash-settled total return swap agreement with an unaffiliated third party financial institution, which provides Deerfield Partners with economic exposure to an aggregate of 1,851 notional shares. The swap agreement provides Deerfield Partners with economic results that are comparable to the economic results of ownership of, based on the applicable reference price, but does not provide Deerfield Partners with the power to vote or direct the voting of, or dispose of or direct the disposition of, the shares of common stock that are the subject of such swap agreement.
- On January 14, 2019, Deerfield Partners entered into a cash-settled total return swap agreement with an unaffiliated third party financial institution, which provides Deerfield Partners with economic exposure to an aggregate of 61,789 notional shares. The swap agreement provides Deerfield Partners with economic results that are comparable to the economic results of ownership of, based on the applicable reference prices, but does not provide Deerfield Partners with the power to vote or direct the voting of, or dispose of or direct the disposition of, the shares of common stock that are the subject of such swap agreement.
- The price reported in Column 2 represents a weighted average reference price associated with the swap agreement. The reference prices applicable to the 61,789 notional shares subject to the swap agreement reported herein range from \$6.85 to \$7.00, inclusive. The reporting persons undertake to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of notional shares subject to each separate reference price within the ranges set forth in footnotes (5) and (7) of this Form 4.
- On January 15, 2019, Deerfield Partners entered into a cash-settled total return swap agreement with an unaffiliated third party financial institution, which provides Deerfield Partners with economic exposure to an aggregate of 48,254 notional shares. The swap agreement provides Deerfield Partners with economic results that are comparable to the economic results of ownership of, based on the applicable reference prices, but does not provide Deerfield Partners with the power to vote or direct the voting of, or dispose of or direct the disposition of, the shares of common stock that are the subject of such swap agreement.

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The price reported in Column 2 represents a weighted average reference price associated with the swap agreement. The reference prices applicable to the 48,254 notional shares subject to the swap agreement reported herein range from \$6.79 to \$7.00, inclusive.

Remarks:

Jonathan Isler, Attorney-in-Fact: Power of Attorney, which is hereby incorporated by reference to Exhibit 24 to a Form 3 with Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.