

INTERCEPT PHARMACEUTICALS INC  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
 Benatti Luca

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O INTERCEPT  
 PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 450  
 W. 15TH STREET, SUITE 505

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10011

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

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 PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ICPT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 07/19/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	07/19/2016		A	(A) or (D) 1,204 (1)	\$ 0 3,146	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)**

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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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 145.22	07/19/2016		A	1,598	<sup>(1)</sup> 07/19/2026	Common Stock	1,598

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Benatti Luca C/O INTERCEPT PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 450 W. 15TH STREET, SUITE 505 NEW YORK, NY 10011	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Bryan Yoon, as attorney-in-fact 07/21/2016

\_\_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).
- The 1,204 shares of restricted stock and the shares of 1,598 shares of common stock underlying the option will each fully vest on the one-year anniversary of the date of grant (the "Anniversary Date"), subject to the terms and conditions of the award and the Intercept Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 2012 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2012 Plan"); provided, however, if the date of the next subsequent annual meeting of stockholders (starting from the 2017 annual meeting) is held prior to the Anniversary Date in that year, the annual vesting for such year shall occur on the day immediately preceding the date of the annual meeting in such year.

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