#### ACCELERON PHARMA INC

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### FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Sherman Matthew L Issuer Symbol ACCELERON PHARMA INC (Check all applicable) [XLRN] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify \_X\_\_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 128 SIDNEY STREET 03/02/2017 **EVP & Chief Medical Officer** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	<b>Derivative</b>	Secur	ities A	cquired, Disposed	l of, or Benefic	ially 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 on Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(msu. 1)
Common Stock	03/02/2017		A	7,900	A	\$0	104,400	D	
Common Stock							8,500	I	By Irrevocable Trust

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

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 30.17	03/02/2017		A	47,300	<u>(1)</u>	03/02/2027	Common Stock	47,300

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Sherman Matthew L 128 SIDNEY STREET CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

**EVP & Chief Medical Officer** 

#### **Signatures**

/s/ John D. Quisel, as attorney-in-fact for Matthew L. Sherman

03/14/2017

\*\*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) The shares of common stock underlying this stock option award vest in equal quarterly installments over the four years after January 1, 2017.

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