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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Pruzanski Mark

(Last)

(First) (Middle) Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

10/10/2012

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

INTERCEPT PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ICPT]

4. Relationship of Reporting

5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O INTERCEPT PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.. 18 DESBROSSES ST.

(Street)

(Check all applicable) _X_ Director 10% Owner

X Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

NEW YORK. NYÂ 10013

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

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Form: Direct (D) or Indirect

(I) (Instr. 5)

Common Stock 380,767 (1) D

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

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2. Date Exercisable and

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security

Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security** (Instr. 4)

4. Conversion

5. Ownership or Exercise Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Price of Derivative Security:

(Instr. 4)

Derivative

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Options to Purchase Common Stock	(2)	06/30/2014	Common Stock	8,653 (3)	\$ 2.89 (3)	D	Â
Options to Purchase Common Stock	(2)	01/01/2015	Common Stock	25,961 <u>(3)</u>	\$ 2.89 (3)	D	Â
Options to Purchase Common Stock	(2)	07/18/2016	Common Stock	64,903 (3)	\$ 9.82 (3)	D	Â
Options to Purchase Common Stock	(2)	07/18/2016	Common Stock	64,903 (3)	\$ 9.82 (3)	D	Â
Options to Purchase Common Stock	(2)	09/18/2018	Common Stock	41,105 (3)	\$ 9.82 (3)	D	Â
Options to Purchase Common Stock	(4)	07/20/2020	Common Stock	250,960 (3)	\$ 8.67 (3)	D	Â
Options to Purchase Common Stock	(5)	10/13/2021	Common Stock	45,865 (3)	\$ 8.67 (3)	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Othe		
Pruzanski Mark C/O INTERCEPT PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 18 DESBROSSES ST. NEW YORK Â NYÂ 10013	ÂΧ	Â	President and CEO	Â		

Signatures

/s/ Barbara Duncan, as Attorney-in-fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Reflects a 1-for-5.7778 reverse stock split effected on September 26, 2012.
- (2) All of the shares underlying this option have vested.
- Reflects the 1-for-5.7778 reverse stock split effected on September 26, 2012 in connection with the Issuer's initial public offering,

 (3) pursuant to which (i) the number of shares of common stock underlying the option was divided by 5.7778 and (ii) the exercise price of the
- option was multiplied by 5.7778.
- (4) 25% of the shares underlying this option were vested on December 31, 2010, and the remainder of the shares originally underlying the option vest on a pro rata monthly basis through December 31, 2013, subject to the terms and conditions thereof.
- (5) 19.59% of the shares underlying this option were vested on October 13, 2011, the date of grant, and the remainder of the shares originally underlying the option vest on a pro rata monthly basis through December 31, 2014, subject to the terms and conditions thereof.

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Remarks:

Exhibit List - Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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