

ACURA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC  
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**FORM 4**

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

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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 \*  
**CARE CAPITAL II LLC**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**ACURA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC [ACUR]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**47 HULFISH STREET, SUITE 310**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**06/12/2013**

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

**PRINCETON, NJ 08542**

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 \_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	06/12/2013		S		32,000 (1)	D	\$ 2.18 (2)
Common Stock	06/13/2013		S		28,000 (4)	D	\$ 2.15 (5)
Common Stock	06/14/2013		S		30,000 (7)	D	\$ 2.15 (8)

See footnote (3)

See footnote (6)

See footnote (9)

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)

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CARE CAPITAL II LLC 47 HULFISH STREET SUITE 310 PRINCETON, NJ 08542		X		
CARE CAPITAL INVESTMENTS II LP 47 HULFISH STREET SUITE 310 PRINCETON, NJ 08542		X		
Care Capital Offshore Investments II LP 47 HULFISH STREET SUITE 310 PRINCETON, NJ 08542		X		

## Signatures

Care Capital LLC /s/ David R. Ramsay	06/14/2013
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Care Capital Investments II, LP, By: Care Capital II, LLC, Its General Partner /s/ David R. Ramsay	06/14/2013
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
	06/14/2013

Care Capital Offshore Investments II, LP, By: Care Capital II, LLC, Its General Partner /s/  
David R. Ramsay

\_\_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 were sold as follows: 29,946 by Care Capital Investments II, LP and 2,054 by Care Capital Offshore Investments II, L.P.

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$2.21 to \$2.15, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Acura Pharmaceuticals, 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 ranges set forth in footnotes (2), (5) and (8) to this Form 4.

(3) Consists of 4,934,589 shares held by Care Capital Investments II, LP and 338,525 shares held by Care Capital Offshore Investments II, L.P. Care Capital II, LLC is the general partner of Care Capital Investments II, LP and Care Capital Offshore Investments II, LP and as a result, Care Capital II, LLC has the ultimate power to vote or direct the vote and to dispose or direct the disposition of such shares. Care Capital II, LLC is managed by three or more members and accordingly none of the managing members is deemed to have voting or dispositive control over the securities.

(4) The shares were sold as follows: 26,202 by Care Capital Investments II, LP and 1,798 by Care Capital Offshore Investments II, L.P.

(5) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$2.17 to \$2.13, inclusive.

Consists of 4,908,387 shares held by Care Capital Investments II, LP and 336,727 held by Care Capital Offshore Investments II, L.P.

(6) Care Capital II, LLC is the general partner of Care Capital Investments II, LP and Care Capital Offshore Investments II, LP and as a result, Care Capital II, LLC has the ultimate power to vote or direct the vote and to dispose or direct the disposition of such shares. Care Capital II, LLC is managed by three or more members and accordingly none of the managing members is deemed to have voting or dispositive control over the securities.

(7) The shares were sold as follows: 28,074 by Care Capital Investments II, LP and 1,926 by Care Capital Offshore Investments II, L.P.

(8) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$2.19 to \$2.14, inclusive.

Consists of 4,880,313 shares held by Care Capital Investments II, LP and 334,801 shares held by Care Capital Offshore Investments II, L.P.

(9) Care Capital II, LLC is the general partner of Care Capital Investments II, LP and Care Capital Offshore Investments II, LP and as a result, Care Capital II, LLC has the ultimate power to vote or direct the vote and to dispose or direct the disposition of such shares. Care Capital II, LLC is managed by three or more members and accordingly none of the managing members is deemed to have voting or dispositive control over the securities.

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