ACURA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CARE CAPITAL II LLC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Symbol

ACURA PHARMACEUTICALS,

(Check all applicable)

INC [ACUR]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

47 HULFISH STREET, SUITE 310

(Street)

02/18/2014

(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

below)

PRINCETON, NJ 08542

Security

(Instr. 3)

Common

Stock

(City) (State) (Zip) 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 1.Title of

(Month/Day/Year)

02/18/2014

3. 4. Securities Acquired Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Amount Code V

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

(Month/Day/Year)

any

\$ 20,032 D 2.04 (1) (2)

(A)

or

(D)

4,289,509

See footnote (3)

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)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
coporting of the remaining remaining	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 II, LLC /s/ David R. Ramsay		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date	
Care Capital Investments II, LP, By: Care Capital II, LLC, Its General Partner /s/ David R. Ramsay	02/26/2014	
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date	
Care Capital Offshore Investments II, LP, By: Care Capital II, LLC, Its General Partner /s/ David R. Ramsay	02/26/2014	
**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: 18,753 by Care Capital Investments II, LP and 1,279 by Care Capital Offshore Investments II, L.P.

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- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$2.05 to \$2.03, 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 this footnote.
 - Consists of 4,014,132 shares held by Care Capital Investments II, LP and 275,377 shares held by Care Capital Offshore Investments II, LP. Care Capital II, LLC is the general partner of Care Capital Investments II, LP and Care Capital Offshore Investments II, LP and as a
- (3) 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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