

WILLIAMS NICOLE  
Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

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| <p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â WILLIAMS NICOLE</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>C/O INTERCEPT<br/>PHARMACEUTICALS,<br/>INC.,Â 18 DESBROSSES<br/>STREET</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>NEW YORK,Â NYÂ 10013</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p> | <p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>10/10/2012</p> | <p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>INTERCEPT PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ICPT]</p> | <p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director    <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner<br/><input type="checkbox"/> Officer    <input type="checkbox"/> Other<br/>(give title below) (specify below)</p> | <p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p> | <p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br/><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p> |
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned<br>(Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

| 1. Title of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
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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 | Â (1)            | 09/18/2018      | Common Stock | 6,923 (2)                  | \$ 9.82 (2) | D                                     | Â |
| Options to Purchase Common Stock | Â (1)            | 09/16/2019      | Common Stock | 4,759 (2)                  | \$ 9.82 (2) | D                                     | Â |
| Options to Purchase Common Stock | Â (1)            | 10/13/2021      | Common Stock | 4,759 (2)                  | \$ 8.67 (2) | D                                     | Â |
| Options to Purchase Common Stock | Â (3)            | 10/13/2021      | Common Stock | 4,759 (2)                  | \$ 8.67 (2) | D                                     | Â |
| Options to Purchase Common Stock | Â (4)            | 07/31/2022      | Common Stock | 4,759 (2)                  | \$ 9.31 (2) | D                                     | Â |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| WILLIAMS NICOLE<br>C/O INTERCEPT PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.<br>18 DESBROSSES STREET<br>NEW YORK, NY 10013 | Â X           | Â         | Â       | Â     |

## Signatures

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

10/10/2012

\_\_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) 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,
- (2) 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.
- (3) 39.18% 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, 2012, subject to the terms and conditions thereof.
- (4) 29.04% of the shares underlying this option were vested on July 31, 2012, 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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