

Pacira Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
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FORM 4

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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 *
 LONGENECKER JOHN P PHD

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O PACIRA
 PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 5
 SYLVAN WAY, SUITE 300

(Street)

PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Pacira Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [PCRX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

06/15/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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)
Common Stock	06/15/2016		A	(A) or (D)	1,488 \$ 0 3,788	D	

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)	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. Filing Date
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.34	06/15/2016		A	2,975	(2) 06/15/2026	Common Stock	2,975

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LONGENECKER JOHN P PHD C/O PACIRA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 5 SYLVAN WAY, SUITE 300 PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054	X			

Signatures

/s/ James Scibetta,
Attorney-in-Fact
06/17/2016

**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) Represents restricted stock units that vest on June 3, 2017, provided that the reporting person remains in continuous service with the issuer through the vesting date. Each restricted stock unit represents the contingent right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock.
 - (2) The stock option vests and becomes exercisable on the first anniversary of the grant date, provided that the reporting person remains in continuous service with the issuer through the vesting date.

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