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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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SECURITIES

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* VIVO VENTURES VII, LLC 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 10/06/2015		ement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Aclaris Therapeutics, Inc. [ACRS]					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VIVO CAPITAL			Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director			5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
575 HIGH STREET, SUITE 201 (Street) PALO ALTO CA 94301	-		Officer (give title below)	Other (spec below)		cable Line) Form filed by Form filed by	/Group Filing (Check y One Reporting Person y More than One	
PALO ALTO CA 94301 (City) (State) (Zip)	-					Reporting Po	erson	
	Table I - No	n-Deriva	ıtive Securities Beneficial	ly Owned	Į.			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownershi Form: Direct or Indirect ((Instr. 5)	t (D) (Instr.	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common Stock			283,672	I	By V	By Vivo Ventures Fund VII, L.P.(1)		
Common Stock			6,182	I		By Vivo Ventures VII Affiliates Fund, L.P. ⁽²⁾		
			ve Securities Beneficially ants, options, convertible		s)			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exerc Expiration Day/ (Month/Day/	ate	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		
Series A Preferred Stock	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	2,454,476	(3)	I	By Vivo Ventures Fund VII, L.P. ⁽¹⁾	
Series A Preferred Stock	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	53,494	(3)	I	By Vivo Ventures VII Affiliates Fund, L.P. ⁽²⁾	
Series B Preferred Stock	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	515,768	(4)	I	By Vivo Ventures Fund VII, L.P. ⁽¹⁾	
Series B Preferred Stock	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	11,241	(4)	I	By Vivo Ventures VII Affiliates Fund, L.P. ⁽²⁾	
Series C Preferred Stock	(5)	(5)	Common Stock	390,164	(5)	I	By Vivo Ventures Fund VII, L.P. ⁽¹⁾	
Series C Preferred Stock	(5)	(5)	Common Stock	8,503	(5)	I	By Vivo Ventures VII Affiliates Fund, L.P. ⁽¹⁾	
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Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Vivo Ventures VII, LLC ("VV LLC") is the general partner of Vivo Ventures Fund VII, L.P. ("VVF"), the record holder of the securities, and disclaims beneficial ownership over such securities except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of the reported securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes. In addition, each of Albert Cha, a director of the issuer, Frank Kung and Edgar Engleman is a managing member of VV LLC and may be deemed to share voting and dispositive power over the securities held by VVF. Each of such individuals disclaims beneficial ownership over such securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of the reported securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes.
- 2. VV LLC is the general partner of Vivo Ventures VII Affiliates Fund, L.P. ("VVAF"), the record holder of the securities, and disclaims beneficial ownership over such securities except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of the reported securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes. In addition, each of Albert Cha, a director of the issuer, Frank Kung and Edgar Engleman is a managing member of VV LLC and may be deemed to share voting and dispositive power over the securities held by VVAF. Each of such individuals disclaims beneficial ownership over such securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of the reported securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes.
- 3. Each share of the Series A Preferred Stock is convertible, at any time, at the holder's election, into 0.289855 shares of the Issuer's common stock. In addition, effective immediately prior to the closing of the Issuer's initial public offering of its common stock, each share of Series A Preferred Stock will automatically convert into 0.289855 shares of the Issuer's common stock. The Series A Preferred Stock has no expiration date.
- 4. Each share of the Series B Preferred Stock is convertible, at any time, at the holder's election, into 0.289855 shares of the Issuer's common stock. In addition, effective immediately prior to the closing of the Issuer's initial public offering of its common stock, each share of Series B Preferred Stock will automatically convert into 0.289855 shares of the Issuer's common stock. The Series B Preferred Stock has no expiration date.
- 5. Each share of the Series C Preferred Stock is convertible, at any time, at the holder's election, into 0.289855 shares of the Issuer's common stock. In addition, effective immediately prior to the closing of the Issuer's initial public offering of its common stock, each share of Series C Preferred Stock will automatically convert into 0.289855 shares of the Issuer's common stock. The Series C Preferred Stock has no expiration date.

Remarks:

/s/ Albert Cha as a managing member of Vivo Ventures VII, 10/06/2015 /s/ Albert Cha as a managing member of Vivo Ventures VII, 10/06/2015 LLC, the general partner of Vivo Ventures Fund VII, L.P. /s/ Albert Cha as a managing member of Vivo Ventures VII, 10/06/2015 LLC, the general partner of Vivo Ventures VII Affiliates Fund, L.P. ** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * 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).

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