## FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan for the purchase or sale of equity securities of the issuer that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Waller Neel				2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Aclaris Therapeutics, Inc. [ ACRS ]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
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(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ACLARIS THERAPEUTICS, INC. 701 LEE ROAD, SUITE 103				Date of Earliest Transa 2/01/2024	ction (M	onth/[	Day/Year)		Officer (give title Other (specify below)  INTERIM CEO						
(Street) WAYNE PA 19087  (City) (State) (Zip)				. If Amendment, Date of	Original	Filed	(Month/Day/\	6. Indi Line)	<u>·</u>						
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned															
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D				Execution Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
					Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)			
Common Stock 12/01				24	М		9,466	A	(1)	1,385,854	D				
Common Stock 12/01/				24	F <sup>(2)</sup>		2,721	D	\$4.07	1,383,133	D				
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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	12/01/2024		M			9,466	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	9,466	\$0	47,334	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock of the issuer.
- 2. The transaction reported represents the withholding of shares by the issuer to satisfy the Reporting Person's tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting and settlement of restricted stock units described in this Form 4.
- 3. The shares vest in equal monthly installments over 15 months beginning February 1, 2024, subject to the Continuous Service (as defined in the Plan) of the Reporting Person as the Interim CEO to the Company as of each such vesting date, provided that in the event he exeast to be Interim CEO but continuous Service in any capacity, such awards will continue to vest in the event that the Issuer's Board of Directors determines in its sole discretion that he achieved the Performance Goals (as defined in his letter agreement of employment as Interim CEO) prior to the cessation of his employment as Interim CEO.

/s/ Matthew Rothman, Attorney-in-Fact

12/03/2024

\*\* 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 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).

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