Aclaris Therapeutics, Inc.

Form 4

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FORM 4

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1. Name and Ad Ali-Jackson I	^	orting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Aclaris Therapeutics, Inc. [ACRS]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
C/O ACLARIS THERAPEUTICS, INC., 101 LINDENWOOD DRIVE, SUITE 400			(Month/Day/Year) 10/26/2016	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specification) below) Chief Legal Officer			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
MALVERN, PA 19355			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner			

(City)	(State) (Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	y 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. Securi on(A) or Do (Instr. 3,	spose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	10/26/2016		M	3,912	A		79,869	D	
Common Stock	10/26/2016		S(1)	3,912	D	\$ 21.83 (2)	75,957	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)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee StockOption (right to buy)	\$ 1.52	10/26/2016		M	3,912	(3)	12/07/2024	Common Stock	3,912

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Ali-Jackson Kamil C/O ACLARIS THERAPEUTICS, INC. 101 LINDENWOOD DRIVE, SUITE 400 MALVERN, PA 19355

Chief Legal Officer

Signatures

/s/ Brian F. Leaf, Attorney-in-fact

**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 sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on June 14, 2016.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$21.36 to \$22.20, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, 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.
- 25% of the shares underlying this option, representing a right to purchase a total of 10,434 shares, vested on December 8, 2015 and the remaining shares vest in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the issuer as of the applicable vesting date.

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