ACURA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **CLAUDIUS LLC**

(Middle)

(Zip)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

ACURA PHARMACEUTICALS,

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Check all applicable)

INC [ACUR]

(Month/Day/Year)

(Last)

(City)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director Officer (give title

X__ 10% Owner _ Other (specify

C/O GALEN MANAGEMENT. L.L.C., 680 WASHINGTON BLVD.

(Street)

(State)

(First)

05/30/2013

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting

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below)

STAMFORD, CT 06901

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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. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	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	05/30/2013		S	12,860 (1)	D	\$ 2.256 (2)	11,864,175	I	See FN (3)
Common Stock	05/31/2013		S	18,699 (4)	D	\$ 2.25 (5)	11,845,476	I	See FN (6)

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$\label{thm:convertible} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	5	ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
CLAUDIUS LLC C/O GALEN MANAGEMENT, L.L.C. 680 WASHINGTON BLVD. STAMFORD, CT 06901		X				
GALEN PARTNERS INTERNATIONAL III L P C/O GALEN MANAGEMENT, L.L.C. 680 WASHINGTON BLVD. STAMFORD, CT 06901		X				
GALEN EMPLOYEE FUND III LP C/O GALEN MANAGEMENT L.L.C. 680 WASHINGTON BLVD. STAMFORD, CT 06901		X				
Galen Management, LLC 680 WASHINGTON BLVD. STAMFORD, CT 06901		X				
GALEN PARTNERS III L P C/O GALEN MANAGEMENT, L.L.C. 680 WASHINGTON BLVD. STAMFORD, CT 06901		X				

Signatures

/s/ David W. Jahns, Member of Claudius, L.L.C.	06/03/2013
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ David W. Jahns, Member of Claudius L.L.C., the General Partner of Galen Partners International III. L.P.	06/03/2013

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**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ David W. Jahns, Member Galen Management, L.L.C., the General Partner of Galen Employee Fund III, L.P.	06/03/2013
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ David W. Jahns, Member	06/03/2013
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ David W. Jahns, Member of Claudius, L.L.C., the General Partner of Galen Partners III, L.P.	06/03/2013

**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 shares were sold as follows: 11,749 by Galen Partners III, L.P. ("Galen III"), 1,063 by Galen Partners International III, L.P. ("Galen III"), 1,063 by Galen Partners International III, L.P. ("Galen III"), 1,063 by Galen Partners International III, L.P. ("Galen III"), 1,063 by Galen Partners International III, L.P. ("Galen III"), 1,063 by Galen Partners International III, L.P. ("Galen III"), 1,063 by Galen Partners International III, L.P. ("Galen III"), 1,063 by Galen Partners International III, L.P. ("Galen III"), 1,063 by Galen Partners International III, L.P. ("Galen III"), 1,063 by Galen Partners International III, L.P. ("Galen III"), 1,063 by Galen Partners International III, L.P. ("Galen III"), 1,063 by Galen Partners International III, L.P. ("Galen III"), 1,063 by Galen Partners International III, L.P. ("Galen III"), 1,063 by Galen Partners III by Galen III
- (2) The shares were sold at prices between \$2.25 and \$2.27. The Reporting Entities will provide upon request to the SEC, the issuer or security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
 - The shares are held as follows: 10,841,646 by Galen III, 977,871 by Galen International and 44,658 by Employee Fund. Claudius, L.L.C. serves as the sole General Partner of Galen III and Galen International and has sole voting and investment control over the shares held by
- (3) such funds and may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by such funds. Galen Management, L.L.C. serves as the sole General Partner of Employee Fund and has sole voting and investment control over the shares held by Employee Fund and may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by Employee Fund. Each of the Reporting Persons disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares reported herein, except to the extent of its respective pecuniary interest therein.
- (4) The shares were sold as follows: 17,083 by Galen III, 1,546 by Galen International and 70 by Employee Fund.
- The shares were sold at prices between \$2.25 and \$2.30. The Reporting Entities will provide upon request to the SEC, the issuer or security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
 - The shares are held as follows: 10,824,563 by Galen III, 976,325 by Galen International and 44,588 by Employee Fund. Claudius, L.L.C. serves as the sole General Partner of Galen III and Galen International and has sole voting and investment control over the shares held by
- such funds and may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by such funds. Galen Management, L.L.C. serves as the sole General Partner of Employee Fund and has sole voting and investment control over the shares held by Employee Fund and may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by Employee Fund. Each of the Reporting Persons disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares reported herein, except to the extent of its respective pecuniary interest therein.

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