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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1(b).

1. Name and Add Ruffo Frank	dress of Repo	orting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Aclaris Therapeutics, Inc. [ACRS]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	, ,,			
C/O ACLARIS THERAPEUTICS, INC., 640 LEE ROAD, SUITE 200			(Month/Day/Year) 03/16/2018	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (speci- below) below) Chief Financial Officer			
(Street) WAYNE, PA 19087			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Chec			
			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 Acq	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner			

(City)	(State) (2	Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecurii	ties Aco	quired, Disposed (of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securit	ies		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	nAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code				Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
				(A)		Reported			
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/16/2018		<u>J(1)</u>	9,018	A	\$0	154,365	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	t of ying es	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 N	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Ruffo Frank C/O ACLARIS THERAPEUTICS, INC. 640 LEE ROAD, SUITE 200 WAYNE, PA 19087

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Brian F. Leaf, Attorney-in-fact 03/20/2018

**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) Pro rata distribution from NST, LLC, of which the reporting person is a non-managing member, in accordance with NST, LLC's Limited Liability Company Operating Agreement.

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