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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF						Expires:	January 31, 2005		
			SECURI	TIES			Estimated average		
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(Print or Type Re	sponses)								
Person <u>Stat</u>			2. Date of Event Requiring	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Syn Pacira Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [PCR] Month/Day/Year)			Symbol		
			Statement (Month/Day/Year)				RX]		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	01/03/2012 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			-	Amendment, Date Original (Month/Day/Year)		
C/O PACIRA							· ·		
PHARMACEUTICALS,				(Check all applicable)					
INC, 10450		E		Director	100/-	Owner			
CENTER DR	IVE			Difector	Othe				
(Street)				(give title below) (specify below) General Manager, San Diego 6. Ind			dividual or Join	t/Group	
				General M	anager, San D	Filin	g(Check Applical		
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SAN DIEGO, CA 92121				F			Form filed by Mor rting Person	e than One	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - N	Non-Derivat	ive Securit	ies Benefic	cially Owned	l	
1.Title of Securit	у		2. Amount of		3. 4. Nature		f Indirect Benef	icial	
(Instr. 4)			Beneficially (Instr. 4)	Owned	Ownership Form:	Ownership (Instr. 5)			

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

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1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	(Instr. 5)
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	
			Derivative	Security:	

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Date	Expiration	Title	Amount or	Security	Direct (D)
Exercisable	Date		Number of		or Indirect
			Shares		(I)
					(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
		Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Pratt John C/O PACIRA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC 10450 SCIENCE CENTER DRIVE SAN DIEGO, CA 92121		Â	Â	General Manager, San Diego	Â		
Signatures							
/s/ John Pratt	01/05/2012						
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporting Person	Date						
Explanation	n of Response	s:					

No securities are beneficially owned

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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