

PATOU GARY  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

Â PATOU GARY  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O MPM ASSET MANAGEMENT,Â 601 GATEWAY BLVD., SUITE 350  
(Street)

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO,Â CAÂ 94080  
(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)  
02/02/2011

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Pacira Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [PCRX]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer  Other  
(give title below) (specify below)  
Chief Medical Officer

5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security  
(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned  
(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form:  
Direct (D)  
or Indirect (I)  
(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 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)**

1. Title of Derivative Security  
(Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date  
(Month/Day/Year)

Date Exercisable      Expiration Date

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security  
(Instr. 4)

Title      Amount or Number of

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership  
(Instr. 5)

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				Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (1)	09/02/2020	Common Stock	59,042	\$ 1.61	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (2)	09/02/2020	Common Stock	59,042	\$ 1.61	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (3)	12/29/2020	Common Stock	42,368	\$ 5.49	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PATOU GARY C/O MPM ASSET MANAGEMENT 601 GATEWAY BLVD., SUITE 350 SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080	Â	Â	Â Chief Medical Officer	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Gary Patou 02/01/2011

\*\*Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 option vests as to 50% of the option shares on September 2, 2010 and the remaining 50% of the option shares vests equally monthly over the next 24 months. The option shares become exercisable when vested.
  - (2) 25% of the option shares vest on September 2, 2011 and the remaining 75% of the option shares shall vest monthly over the next 36 months. The option shares become exercisable when vested.
  - (3) 25% of the option shares vest on December 29, 2011 and the remaining 75% of the option shares shall vest monthly over the next 36 months. The option shares become exercisable when vested.

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