Pacira Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Form 4

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| 1. Name and Ad MIDDLETO | • | rting Person * | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Pacira Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [PCRX] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
|----------------------------|--|----------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) | (Last) (First) (Middle) | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check all applicable) | | | |
| VENTURES | SANDERLING TURES, 400 SOUTH EL MINO REAL, SUITE 1200 | | (Month/Day/Year) 02/08/2011 | _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) | | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | |
| SAN MATEO, CA 94402 | | 2 | 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 Aco | uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | |

| (City) | (State) (| Zip) Table | e I - Non-D | erivative Se | curiti | es Acqı | uired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficial | ly 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. Securitie or(A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4 a | osed o | 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 | 02/08/2011 | | С | 736,583 | A | <u>(5)</u> | 736,583 | I | See Footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 02/08/2011 | | С | 14,877 | A | <u>(5)</u> | 14,877 | I | See Footnote (2) |
| Common Stock | 02/08/2011 | | C | 24,871 | A | <u>(5)</u> | 24,871 | I | See Footnote (3) |
| Common | 02/08/2011 | | C | 29,634 | A | <u>(5)</u> | 29,634 | I | See |

| Stock | | | | | | | | Footnote (4) |
|-----------------|------------|---|---------|---|------------|---------|---|------------------|
| Common Stock | 02/08/2011 | C | 681,715 | A | <u>(5)</u> | 681,715 | I | See Footnote (6) |
| Common Stock | 02/08/2011 | C | 344,355 | A | <u>(7)</u> | 344,355 | I | See Footnote |
| Common Stock | 02/08/2011 | C | 12,058 | A | <u>(7)</u> | 12,058 | I | See Footnote (3) |
| Common Stock | 02/08/2011 | C | 14,366 | A | <u>(7)</u> | 14,366 | I | See Footnote |
| Common Stock | 02/08/2011 | C | 341,788 | A | <u>(7)</u> | 341,788 | I | See Footnote (6) |
| Common Stock | 02/08/2011 | C | 129,445 | A | <u>(8)</u> | 129,445 | I | See Footnote |
| Common Stock | 02/08/2011 | C | 4,533 | A | <u>(8)</u> | 4,533 | I | See Footnote (3) |
| Common Stock | 02/08/2011 | C | 5,400 | A | <u>(8)</u> | 5,400 | I | See Footnote |
| Common Stock | 02/08/2011 | C | 128,479 | A | <u>(8)</u> | 128,479 | I | See Footnote (6) |
| Common Stock | 02/08/2011 | P | 46,379 | A | \$ 7 | 46,379 | I | See Footnote |
| Common Stock | 02/08/2011 | P | 27,931 | A | \$ 7 | 27,931 | I | See Footnote |
| Common Stock | 02/08/2011 | P | 4,297 | A | \$ 7 | 4,297 | I | See Footnote (3) |
| Common Stock | 02/08/2011 | P | 5,119 | A | \$ 7 | 5,119 | I | See Footnote |
| Common Stock | 02/08/2011 | P | 184,131 | A | \$ 7 | 184,131 | I | See Footnote (6) |

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

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | Secur Acqui Dispo | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|-------------------------|---------|--|--------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Series A Convertible Preferred Stock | <u>(5)</u> | 02/08/2011 | | С | | 736,583 | <u>(5)</u> | <u>(5)</u> | Common Stock | 736,583 |
| Series A Convertible Preferred Stock | (5) | 02/08/2011 | | С | | 14,877 | <u>(5)</u> | <u>(5)</u> | Common Stock | 14,877 |
| Series A Convertible Preferred Stock | <u>(5)</u> | 02/08/2011 | | С | | 24,871 | <u>(5)</u> | <u>(5)</u> | Common Stock | 24,871 |
| Series A Convertible Preferred Stock | <u>(5)</u> | 02/08/2011 | | С | | 29,634 | <u>(5)</u> | <u>(5)</u> | Common Stock | 29,634 |
| Series A Convertible Preferred Stock | <u>(5)</u> | 02/08/2011 | | С | | 681,715 | <u>(5)</u> | <u>(5)</u> | Common Stock | 681,715 |
| Convertible Promissory Notes | <u>(7)</u> | 02/08/2011 | | С | | 344,355 | <u>(7)</u> | <u>(7)</u> | Common Stock | 344,355 |
| Convertible Promissory Notes | <u>(7)</u> | 02/08/2011 | | С | | 12,058 | <u>(7)</u> | <u>(7)</u> | Common Stock | 12,058 |
| Convertible Promissory Notes | <u>(7)</u> | 02/08/2011 | | С | | 14,366 | <u>(7)</u> | <u>(7)</u> | Common Stock | 14,366 |

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| Convertible Promissory Notes | <u>(7)</u> | 02/08/2011 | C | 341,788 | <u>(7)</u> | <u>(7)</u> | Common Stock | 341,788 |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------|---|---------|------------|------------|-----------------|---------|
| Convertible Promissory Notes | <u>(8)</u> | 02/08/2011 | C | 129,445 | (8) | <u>(8)</u> | Common Stock | 129,445 |
| Convertible Promissory Notes | <u>(8)</u> | 02/08/2011 | C | 4,533 | (8) | (8) | Common Stock | 4,533 |
| Convertible Promissory Notes | <u>(8)</u> | 02/08/2011 | C | 5,400 | (8) | (8) | Common Stock | 5,400 |
| Convertible Promissory Notes | <u>(8)</u> | 02/08/2011 | C | 128,479 | (8) | (8) | Common Stock | 128,479 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MIDDLETON FRED A C/O SANDERLING VENTURES 400 SOUTH EL CAMINO REAL, SUITE 1200 SAN MATEO, CA 94402



Signatures

/s/ Fred 02/09/2011 Middleton

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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- * 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).

The securities are held by Sanderling Venture Partners VI, L.P. Mr. Middleton is a managing director of Middleton, McNeil, Mills & Associates VI, LLC, which has the ultimate voting and investment power over shares held of record by Sanderling Venture Partners VI, L.P., and he may be deemed to have voting and investment power over shares held of record by Sanderling Venture Partners VI, L.P. Mr. Middleton disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

The securities are held by Sanderling Ventures Management VI. Mr. Middleton is the owner of Sanderling Ventures Management VI and (2) he may be deemed to have voting and investment power over shares held of record by Sanderling Ventures Management VI. Mr. Middleton disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

The securities are held by Sanderling VI Beteiligungs GmbH & Co. KG. Mr. Middleton is a managing director of Middleton, McNeil, Mills & Associates VI, LLC, which has the ultimate voting and investment power over shares held of record by Sanderling VI

(3) Beteiligungs GmbH & Co. KG, and he may be deemed to have voting and investment power over shares held of record by Sanderling VI Beteiligungs GmbH & Co. KG. Mr. Middleton disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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The securities are held by Sanderling VI Limited Partnership. Mr. Middleton is a managing director of Middleton, McNeil, Mills & Associates VI, LLC, which has the ultimate voting and investment power over shares held of record by Sanderling VI Limited Partnership, and he may be deemed to have voting and investment power over shares held of record by Sanderling VI Limited Partnership. Mr. Middleton disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

- (5) The Series A Convertible Preferred Stock had no expiration date and each share of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock was automatically converted into common stock on a 1-for-1 basis upon the consummation of the Issuer's initial public offering.
 - The securities are held by Sanderling Venture Partners VI Co-Investment Fund. Mr. Middleton is a managing director of Middleton, McNeil, Mills & Associates VI, LLC, which has the ultimate voting and investment power over shares held of record by Sanderling
- (6) Venture Partners VI Co-Investment Fund, and he may be deemed to have voting and investment power over shares held of record by Sanderling Venture Partners VI Co-Investment Fund. Mr. Middleton disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (7) All principal and accrued interest on the Convertible Promissory Notes was automatically converted into shares of Common Stock upon the consummation of the Issuer's initial public offering.
- All principal on the Convertible Promissory Notes was automatically converted into shares of Common Stock upon the consummation of (8) the Issuer's initial public offering at a conversion price equal to the per share price of the Common Stock sold in the Issuer's initial public offering.

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