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

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**Notice of Exempt Offering of Securities**

**1. Issuer's Identity**

CIK (Filer ID Number) [0001662524](#)  
Name of Issuer [AKCEA THERAPEUTICS, INC.](#)  
Jurisdiction of Incorporation/Organization [DELAWARE](#)  
Year of Incorporation/Organization  
 Over Five Years Ago  
 Within Last Five Years (Specify Year) [2015](#)  
 Yet to Be Formed

Previous Names  None

Entity Type  
 Corporation  
 Limited Partnership  
 Limited Liability Company  
 General Partnership  
 Business Trust  
 Other (Specify)

**2. Principal Place of Business and Contact Information**

Name of Issuer [AKCEA THERAPEUTICS, INC.](#)  
Street Address 1 [55 CAMBRIDGE PARKWAY](#)  
City [CAMBRIDGE](#) State/Province/Country [MASSACHUSETTS](#)  
Street Address 2 [SUITE 100](#)  
ZIP/PostalCode [02142](#) Phone Number of Issuer [760-603-2732](#)

**3. Related Persons**

Last Name [CROOKE](#) First Name [STANLEY](#) Middle Name [T.](#)  
Street Address 1 [2855 GAZELLE COURT](#) Street Address 2  
City [CARLSBAD](#) State/Province/Country [CALIFORNIA](#) ZIP/PostalCode [92010](#)  
Relationship:  Executive Officer  Director  Promoter

Clarification of Response (if Necessary):

Last Name [PARSHALL](#) First Name [B.](#) Middle Name [LYNNE](#)  
Street Address 1 [2855 GAZELLE COURT](#) Street Address 2  
City [CARLSBAD](#) State/Province/Country [CALIFORNIA](#) ZIP/PostalCode [92010](#)  
Relationship:  Executive Officer  Director  Promoter

Clarification of Response (if Necessary):

Last Name [SOTEROPOULOS](#) First Name [PAULA](#) Middle Name  
Street Address 1 [55 CAMBRIDGE PARKWAY](#) Street Address 2 [SUITE 100](#)

City State/Province/Country ZIP/PostalCode  
CAMBRIDGE MASSACHUSETTS 02142

Relationship:  Executive Officer  Director  Promoter

Clarification of Response (if Necessary):

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Last Name First Name Middle Name  
HOUGEN ELIZABETH L.  
Street Address 1 Street Address 2  
2855 GAZELLE COURT  
City State/Province/Country ZIP/PostalCode  
CARLSBAD CALIFORNIA 92010

Relationship:  Executive Officer  Director  Promoter

Clarification of Response (if Necessary):

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Last Name First Name Middle Name  
GOLDBERG JEFFREY  
Street Address 1 Street Address 2  
55 CAMBRIDGE PARKWAY SUITE 100  
City State/Province/Country ZIP/PostalCode  
CAMBRIDGE MASSACHUSETTS 02142

Relationship:  Executive Officer  Director  Promoter

Clarification of Response (if Necessary):

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Last Name First Name Middle Name  
O'NEIL PATRICK  
Street Address 1 Street Address 2  
2855 GAZELLE COURT  
City State/Province/Country ZIP/PostalCode  
CARLSBAD CALIFORNIA 92010

Relationship:  Executive Officer  Director  Promoter

Clarification of Response (if Necessary):

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#### 4. Industry Group

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|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture  | Health Care   | <input type="checkbox"/> Retailing                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Banking & Financial Services                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Biotechnology              | <input type="checkbox"/> Restaurants               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Banking   | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Insurance           | Technology   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance  | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitals & Physicians     | <input type="checkbox"/> Computers                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Investing  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pharmaceuticals | <input type="checkbox"/> Telecommunications        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Investment Banking   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Health Care          | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Technology          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pooled Investment Fund   | <input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturing              | Travel   |
| Is the issuer registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940? | Real Estate   | <input type="checkbox"/> Airlines & Airports       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Lodging & Conventions     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Banking & Financial Services                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Construction               | <input type="checkbox"/> Tourism & Travel Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business Services  | <input type="checkbox"/> REITS & Finance            | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Travel              |
| Energy  | <input type="checkbox"/> Residential                | <input type="checkbox"/> Other                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coal Mining  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Real Estate          |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Electric Utilities   |   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy Conservation  |   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Services   |   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Oil & Gas  |   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Energy   |   |  |

#### 5. Issuer Size

- | Revenue Range   | OR | Aggregate Net Asset Value Range                       |
|---|----|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> No Revenues                    |    | <input type="checkbox"/> No Aggregate Net Asset Value |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$1 - \$1,000,000              |    | <input type="checkbox"/> \$1 - \$5,000,000            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000      |    | <input type="checkbox"/> \$5,000,001 - \$25,000,000   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$5,000,001 - \$25,000,000     |    | <input type="checkbox"/> \$25,000,001 - \$50,000,000  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$25,000,001 - \$100,000,000   |    | <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,000,001 - \$100,000,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Over \$100,000,000             |    | <input type="checkbox"/> Over \$100,000,000           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Decline to Disclose |    | <input type="checkbox"/> Decline to Disclose          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable                 |    | <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable               |

#### 6. Federal Exemption(s) and Exclusion(s) Claimed (select all that apply)

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|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rule 504(b)(1) (not (i), (ii) or (iii)) | <input type="checkbox"/> Investment Company Act Section 3(c) |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rule 504 (b)(1)(i)                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Section 3(c)(1)                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Section 3(c)(9)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rule 504 (b)(1)(ii)                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Section 3(c)(2)                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Section 3(c)(10) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rule 504 (b)(1)(iii)                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Section 3(c)(3)                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Section 3(c)(11) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rule 505                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Section 3(c)(4)                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Section 3(c)(12) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rule 506(b)                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Section 3(c)(5)                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Section 3(c)(13) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rule 506(c)                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Section 3(c)(6)                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Section 3(c)(14) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Securities Act Section 4(a)(5)          | <input type="checkbox"/> Section 3(c)(7)                     |   |

#### 7. Type of Filing

New Notice Date of First Sale 2015-12-18  First Sale Yet to Occur

Amendment

### 8. Duration of Offering

Does the Issuer intend this offering to last more than one year?  Yes  No

### 9. Type(s) of Securities Offered (select all that apply)

Equity

Debt

Option, Warrant or Other Right to Acquire Another Security

Security to be Acquired Upon Exercise of Option, Warrant or Other Right to Acquire Security

Pooled Investment Fund Interests

Tenant-in-Common Securities

Mineral Property Securities

Other (describe)

### 10. Business Combination Transaction

Is this offering being made in connection with a business combination transaction, such as a merger, acquisition or exchange offer?  Yes  No

Clarification of Response (if Necessary):

### 11. Minimum Investment

Minimum investment accepted from any outside investor \$0 USD

### 12. Sales Compensation

Recipient

(Associated) Broker or Dealer  None

Street Address 1

City

State(s) of Solicitation (select all that apply)  All States  Foreign/non-US

Recipient CRD Number  None

(Associated) Broker or Dealer CRD Number  None

Street Address 2

State/Province/Country

ZIP/Postal Code

### 13. Offering and Sales Amounts

Total Offering Amount \$543,168,000 USD or  Indefinite

Total Amount Sold \$543,168,000 USD

Total Remaining to be Sold \$0 USD or  Indefinite

Clarification of Response (if Necessary):

[Includes cash and non-cash consideration, including the grant of certain rights and licenses to the Issuer.](#)

### 14. Investors

Select if securities in the offering have been or may be sold to persons who do not qualify as accredited investors, and enter the number of such non-accredited investors who already have invested in the offering.

Regardless of whether securities in the offering have been or may be sold to persons who do not qualify as accredited investors, enter the total number of investors who already have invested in the offering:

### 15. Sales Commissions & Finder's Fees Expenses

Provide separately the amounts of sales commissions and finders fees expenses, if any. If the amount of an expenditure is not known, provide an estimate and check the box next to the amount.

Sales Commissions \$0 USD  Estimate

Finders' Fees \$0 USD  Estimate

Clarification of Response (if Necessary):

### 16. Use of Proceeds

Provide the amount of the gross proceeds of the offering that has been or is proposed to be used for payments to any of the persons required to be named as executive officers, directors or promoters in response to Item 3 above. If the amount is unknown, provide an estimate and check the box next to the amount.

\$0 USD  Estimate

Clarification of Response (if Necessary):

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**Signature and Submission**

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**Please verify the information you have entered and review the Terms of Submission below before signing and clicking SUBMIT below to file this notice.**

**Terms of Submission**

In submitting this notice, each issuer named above is:

- Notifying the SEC and/or each State in which this notice is filed of the offering of securities described and undertaking to furnish them, upon written request, in the accordance with applicable law, the information furnished to offerees.\*
- Irrevocably appointing each of the Secretary of the SEC and, the Securities Administrator or other legally designated officer of the State in which the issuer maintains its principal place of business and any State in which this notice is filed, as its agents for service of process, and agreeing that these persons may accept service on its behalf, of any notice, process or pleading, and further agreeing that such service may be made by registered or certified mail, in any Federal or state action, administrative proceeding, or arbitration brought against it in any place subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, if the action, proceeding or arbitration (a) arises out of any activity in connection with the offering of securities that is the subject of this notice, and (b) is founded, directly or indirectly, upon the provisions of: (i) the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, the Investment Company Act of 1940, or the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, or any rule or regulation under any of these statutes, or (ii) the laws of the State in which the issuer maintains its principal place of business or any State in which this notice is filed.
- Certifying that, if the issuer is claiming a Regulation D exemption for the offering, the issuer is not disqualified from relying on Regulation D for one of the reasons stated in Rule 505(b)(2)(iii) or Rule 506(d).

Each Issuer identified above has read this notice, knows the contents to be true, and has duly caused this notice to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned duly authorized person.

For signature, type in the signer's name or other letters or characters adopted or authorized as the signer's signature.

Issuer	Signature	Name of Signer	Title	Date
AKCEA THERAPEUTICS, INC.	/s/ Patrick O'Neil	Patrick O'Neil	Corporate Secretary	2016-01-04

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