

ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC  
Form 8-K  
March 11, 2016

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): March 11, 2016

Acorda Therapeutics, Inc.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

000-50513  
(Commission  
File Number)

13-3831168  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

420 Saw Mill River Road,  
Ardsley, NY  
(Address of principal  
executive offices)

10502  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (914) 347-4300

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events

On March 11, 2016, Acorda Therapeutics, Inc. ("Acorda") issued a press release announcing that the United States Patent and Trademark Office Patent Trials and Appeal Board has instituted the inter partes review (IPR) of U.S. Patent Nos. 8,663,685, 8,440,703, 8,354,437 and 8,007,826. A ruling on the IPR petitions is expected within one year. These patents are four of five Orange Book-listed patents that apply to AMPYRA® (dalfampridine) Extended Release Tablets, 10 mg, a novel treatment for multiple sclerosis (MS) developed by Acorda. AMPYRA is a standard of care for improving walking in MS. These patents are set to expire between 2025 and 2027. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, and incorporated by reference into this Item 8.01.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release dated March 11, 2016

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Acorda Therapeutics, Inc.

March 11, 2016

By:

/s/ Michael Rogers

Name: Michael Rogers

Title: Chief Financial Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release dated March 11, 2016