ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC Form 8-K January 24, 2013

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): January 24, 2013

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

Delaware 000-50513 13-3831168
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation) File Number) 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

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- o 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 January 24, 2013, Acorda Therapeutics, Inc. ("Acorda") issued a press release announcing that that the U.S. Army Medical Research and Material Command (USAMRMC) has awarded Acorda a \$2.67 million research contract to support development of AC105, a propriety magnesium formulation being studied as a treatment for acute spinal cord injury (SCI). The contract will help support a Phase 2 clinical trial designed primarily to assess the safety and tolerability of AC105 in people with acute SCI. Acorda plans to open enrollment for this study in the first half of 2013. 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.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated January 24, 2013

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.

January 24, 2013 By: **David Lawrence**

Name: David Lawrence

Title: Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated January 24, 2013