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ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC Form 8-K November 16, 2011

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): November 16, 2011

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.)

15 Skyline Drive, Hawthorne, NY (Address of principal executive offices) 10532

(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))

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Item 8.01 Other Events

On November 16, 2011, Acorda Therapeutics, Inc. ("Acorda") issued a press release announcing that preclinical data from a study of its investigational drug Glial Growth Factor 2 ("GGF2") showed GGF2 significantly improved ventricular function in a heart failure model in swine. GGF2 is currently being evaluated as a treatment for heart failure in a Phase 1 clinical trial. These data were presented at the American Heart Association Scientific Sessions 2011 being held in Orlando, Florida. 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 Description No. 99.1 Press Release dated November 16, 2011

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.

November 16, 2011

By: /s/David Lawrence Name: David Lawrence Title: Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Description

No. 99.1 Press Release dated November 16, 2011