

ACACIA RESEARCH CORP

Form 4

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**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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 1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**GRAZIADIO G LOUIS III**

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
 Symbol  
**ACACIA RESEARCH CORP**  
**[ACTG]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
 Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**500 NEWPORT CENTER**  
**DRIVE, 7TH FLOOR**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
**12/06/2012**

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

(Street)  
**NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660**

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
 Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
 Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
 Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	12/06/2012		S		3,175	D	\$ 23.8593
					35,211	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
*(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)*

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
GRAZIADIO G LOUIS III 500 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE 7TH FLOOR NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660	X

## Signatures

G. Louis  
Graziadio III 12/07/2012

\*\*Signature of  
Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* 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).

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