ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC Form 8-K December 09, 2010

## 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): December 9, 2010

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.)

15 Skyline Drive, 10532

Hawthorne, NY (Address of principal executive offices)

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(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 December 9, 2010, Acorda Therapeutics, Inc. issued a press release announcing that the first patient has been enrolled in the first clinical trial of Glial Growth Factor 2 (GGF2). Acorda is collaborating with the Vanderbilt University Heart and Vascular Institute to conduct this Phase 1 single-dose trial in patients with heart failure. 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 December 9, 2010

#### **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.

December 9, 2010 By: /s/ David Lawrence

Name: David Lawrence

Title: Chief Financial

Officer

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Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated December 9, 2010