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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

OCTOBER 4, 2004
DATE OF REPORT (DATE OF EARLIEST EVENT REPORTED)

ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

Delaware 000-26068 95-4405754

(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

500 Newport Center Drive,
Newport Beach, California 92660
-----(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(949) 480-8300

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed since Last Report)

ITEM 8.01. OTHER EVENTS

On October 4, 2004, Acacia Research Corporation issued a press release, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

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.

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ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION

Date: October 4, 2004 By: /S/ PAUL R. RYAN

Name: Paul R. Ryan

Title: Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

EXHIBIT NUMBER DESCRIPTION -----

99.1 Press Release dated October 4, 2004, of the Registrant.