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ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC Form 8-K December 07, 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): December 2, 2011

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, Hawthorne, NY (Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

10532

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (914) 347-4300

Not Applicable Former name or former address, if changed since last report

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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Item 8.01 Other Events

On December 2, 2011, Apotex Inc. and Apotex Corp. (collectively, "Apotex") filed suit against Acorda Therapeutics, Inc. ("Acorda") in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. Apotex characterized the suit in its complaint as a "civil antitrust action" and "an action for false advertising" relating to Acorda's Zanaflex Capsules. Among other allegations, Apotex claims Acorda's filing of a citizen petition with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration has "delayed FDA approval of Apotex's generic tizanidine capsules". The Company intends to defend itself vigorously.

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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 7, 2011 By: /s/David Lawrence

Name: David Lawrence Title: Chief Financial Officer