ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC Form 8-K July 20, 2007

# 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): July 19, 2007

# 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

10532

(Address of principal executive offices)

(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 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

### Item 1.02 Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement.

On July 19, 2007, Mary Fisher, the Chief Operating Officer of Acorda Therapeutics, Inc. (the Registrant or the Company ) tendered her resignation, effective immediately, as an officer and employee of the Company, to pursue other interests. As a result, except as specifically provided therein, the employment agreement, dated December 19, 2005, as amended, between the Company and Ms. Fisher, will no longer remain in effect.

# Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Principal Officers.

The Registrant announced in a press release issued July 20, 2007 that Mary Fisher resigned as the Chief Operating Officer of the Company on July 19, 2007, effective immediately, to pursue other interests. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference into this Item. The information set forth under Item 1.02 above is incorporated into this Item 5.02.

#### **Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

99.1 Press Release dated July 20, 2007

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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.

July 20, 2007 By: /s/ David Lawrence

Name: David Lawrence Title: Chief Financial Officer

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### **Exhibit Index**

## Exhibit

No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated July 20, 2007