

# ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC

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**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): **October 14, 2009**

**Acorda Therapeutics, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**000-50513**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**13-3831168**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**15 Skyline Drive, Hawthorne, NY**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**10532**  
(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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- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosures**

On October 14, 2009, Acorda Therapeutics, Inc. issued a press release indicating that NASDAQ has halted trading of Acorda common stock.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) Peripheral and Central Nervous System Drugs Advisory Committee meets today to review and discuss Acorda's New Drug Application (NDA) for Fampridine-SR for improvement of walking ability in people with multiple sclerosis (MS).

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

99.1 Press Release dated October 14, 2009.

## 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.

*October 14, 2009*

Acorda Therapeutics, Inc.

By: /s/ David Lawrence

*Name: David Lawrence*

*Title: Chief Financial Officer*

Exhibit Index

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release dated October 14, 2009.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**Acorda Therapeutics Stock Trading Halted Today; FDA Advisory Committee to Review Fampridine-SR for Improvement of Walking Ability in People with Multiple Sclerosis**

HAWTHORNE, N.Y., October 14, 2009 – Acorda Therapeutics, Inc. (Nasdaq: ACOR) today announced that NASDAQ has halted trading of Acorda common stock.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration’s (FDA) Peripheral and Central Nervous System Drugs Advisory Committee meets today to review and discuss Acorda’s New Drug Application (NDA) for Fampridine-SR for improvement of walking ability in people with multiple sclerosis (MS).

**About Acorda Therapeutics**

Acorda Therapeutics is a biotechnology company developing therapies for spinal cord injury, multiple sclerosis and related nervous system disorders. The Company’s marketed products include Zanaflex Capsules® (tizanidine hydrochloride), a short-acting drug for the management of spasticity. The Company’s pipeline includes a number of products in development for the treatment, regeneration and repair of the spinal cord and brain.

**Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements, other than statements of historical facts, regarding management’s expectations, beliefs, goals, plans or prospects should be considered forward-looking. These statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially, including delays in obtaining or failure to obtain FDA approval of Fampridine-SR, the risk of unfavorable results from future studies of Fampridine-SR, Acorda Therapeutics’ ability to successfully market and sell Fampridine-SR, if approved, and Zanaflex Capsules, competition, failure to protect its intellectual property or to defend against the intellectual property claims of others, the ability to obtain additional financing to support Acorda Therapeutics’ operations, and unfavorable results from its preclinical programs. These and other risks are described in greater detail in Acorda Therapeutics’ filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Acorda Therapeutics may not actually achieve the goals or plans described in its forward-looking statements, and investors should not place undue reliance on these statements. Acorda Therapeutics disclaims any intent or obligation to update any forward-looking statements as a result of developments occurring after the date of this press release.

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