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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**SCHEDULE TO**

**Tender Offer Statement under Section 14(d)(1) or 13(e)(1)  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

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**BIOTIE THERAPIES OYJ**

(Name of Subject Company (Issuer))

**ACORDA THERAPEUTICS, INC.**

(Name of Filing Person (Offeror))

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Ordinary shares, no nominal value ("Ordinary Shares")  
American Depositary Shares ("ADSs"), each representing 80 ordinary shares, no nominal value  
Option rights issued under the December 6, 2011 option plan ("2011 Option Rights")  
Option rights issued under the January 2, 2014 option plan ("2014 Option Rights")  
Option rights issued under the January 4, 2016 option plan ("2016 Option Rights")  
Share units issued under the December 6, 2011 equity incentive plan ("2011 Share Rights")  
Share units under the January 2, 2014 equity incentive plan ("2014 Share Rights")  
Option rights awards under the Swiss option plan dated June 18, 2008 ("Swiss Option Rights")  
Warrants issued on May 28, 2015 ("Warrants")  
(Title of Class of Securities)

FI0009011571 (Ordinary Shares)

09074D103 (ADSs)

None (2011 Option Rights)

None (2014 Option Rights)

None (2016 Option Rights)

None (2011 Share Rights)

None (2014 Share Rights)

None (Swiss Option Rights)

None (Warrants)

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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- Rule 13e-4(i) (Cross-Border Issuer Tender Offer)  
 Rule 14d-1(d) (Cross-Border Third Party Tender Offer)
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The pre-commencement communication filed under cover of this Schedule TO relates to a planned tender offer (the “Tender Offer”) by Acorda Therapeutics, Inc., a Delaware corporation (“Acorda”) for all of the outstanding Ordinary Shares, ADSs, 2011 Option Rights, 2014 Option Rights, 2016 Option Rights, 2011 Share Rights, 2014 Share Rights, Swiss Option Rights and Warrants (collectively, the “Equity Interests”) in Biotie Therapies Corp., a Finnish corporation (“Biotie”), pursuant to a Combination Agreement, dated as of January 19, 2015, by and between Acorda and Biotie.

On February 17, 2016, Acorda issued a press release announcing that the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended (the “HSR Act”), for the Tender Offer had expired.

The Tender Offer has not yet commenced, and this Schedule TO is neither an offer to purchase nor a solicitation of an offer to sell securities. At the time the Tender Offer is commenced, Acorda will file, or will cause a new wholly owned subsidiary to file, with the SEC a tender offer statement on Schedule TO. Investors and holders of Biotie Equity Interests are strongly advised to read the tender offer statement (including an offer to purchase, letter of transmittal and related tender offer documents) and the related solicitation/recommendation statement on Schedule 14D-9 that will be filed by Biotie with the SEC, because they will contain important information. These documents will be available at no charge on the SEC’s website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov) upon the commencement of the Tender Offer. In addition, a copy of the offer to purchase, letter of transmittal and other related tender offer documents (once they become available) may be obtained free of charge by directing a request to Acorda at [www.acorda.com](http://www.acorda.com) or Office of the Corporate Secretary, 420 Saw Mill River Road, Ardsley, New York 10502.

In addition to the offer to purchase, the related letter of transmittal and certain other offer documents, as well as the solicitation/recommendation statement, Acorda files annual, quarterly and special reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy any reports, statements or other information filed by Acorda at the SEC public reference room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the public reference room. Acorda’s filings with the SEC are also available to the public from commercial document-retrieval services and at the website maintained by the SEC at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

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**Item 12. Exhibits.**

<b><u>Exhibit Number</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
99.1	Press release dated February 17, 2016

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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**Acorda Announces Expiration of the  
Hart-Scott-Rodino Waiting Period for its Tender Offer for Biotie Therapies**

ARDSLEY, N.Y. – February 17, 2016 – Acorda Therapeutics, Inc. (Nasdaq: ACOR) today announced that the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended (HSR), for its tender offer for Biotie Therapies Corp. (Nasdaq Helsinki: BTH1V; Nasdaq: BITI) has expired.

Acorda announced on January 19, 2016 that it entered into an agreement to acquire Biotie for €0.2946 per share and €23.5680 per ADS in cash. Pursuant to the terms of the agreement, Acorda will offer to acquire all outstanding shares, American Depositary Shares, and other equity securities of Biotie through a public tender offer.

The expiration of the HSR waiting period satisfies one of the conditions to the tender offer, which has not yet been commenced. The closing of the tender offer will be subject to customary terms and conditions, unless waived by Acorda, including the valid tender to (or other acquisition by) Acorda of at least 90 percent of the issued and outstanding shares and voting rights of Biotie on a fully diluted basis as described in more detail in the agreement between Acorda and Biotie.

Lazard, MTS Health Partners and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC are serving as financial advisors, and Kirkland & Ellis LLP, Roschier Attorneys Ltd., Covington & Burling LLP and Jones Day LLP are serving as legal advisors to Acorda in connection with the tender offer. Guggenheim Securities is serving as Biotie Therapies' financial advisor, and Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP and Hannes Snellman Attorneys Ltd. are serving as Biotie's legal advisors.

**About Acorda Therapeutics**

Founded in 1995, Acorda Therapeutics is a biotechnology company focused on developing therapies that restore function and improve the lives of people with neurological disorders.

Acorda has an industry leading pipeline of novel neurological therapies addressing a range of disorders, including multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease, post-stroke walking deficits, epilepsy and migraine. Acorda markets three FDA-approved therapies, including AMPYRA<sup>®</sup> (dalfampridine) Extended Release Tablets, 10 mg.

For more information, please visit [www.acorda.com](http://www.acorda.com).

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## About Biotie Therapies

Biotie is a specialized drug development company focused on products for neurodegenerative and psychiatric disorders. Biotie's development has delivered Selincro (nalmefene) for alcohol dependence, which received European marketing authorization in 2013 and is currently being rolled out across Europe by partner H. Lundbeck A/S. The current development products include tozadenant for Parkinson's disease, which is in Phase 3 development, and two additional compounds which are in Phase 2 development for cognitive disorders including Parkinson's disease dementia, and primary sclerosing cholangitis (PSC), a rare fibrotic disease of the liver.

For more information, please visit [www.biotie.com](http://www.biotie.com).

## Forward-Looking Statements

This press release includes forward-looking statements. 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 the ability to complete the Biotie transaction on a timely basis or at all; the ability to realize the benefits anticipated to be realized by the Biotie transaction and the Civitas transaction; the ability to successfully integrate Biotie's operations and Civitas' operations, respectively, into our operations; we may need to raise additional funds to finance our expanded operations and may not be able to do so on acceptable terms; our ability to successfully market and sell Ampyra in the U.S.; third party payers (including governmental agencies) may not reimburse for the use of Ampyra or our other products at acceptable rates or at all and may impose restrictive prior authorization requirements that limit or block prescriptions; the risk of unfavorable results from future studies of Ampyra or from our other research and development programs, including CVT-301, Plumiaz, or any other acquired or in-licensed programs; we may not be able to complete development of, obtain regulatory approval for, or successfully market CVT-301, Plumiaz, or any other products under development; the occurrence of adverse safety events with our products; delays in obtaining or failure to obtain regulatory approval of or to successfully market Fampyra outside of the U.S. and our dependence on our collaboration partner Biogen in connection therewith; competition; failure to protect our intellectual property, to defend against the intellectual property claims of others or to obtain third party intellectual property licenses needed for the commercialization of our products; and failure to comply with regulatory requirements could result in adverse action by regulatory agencies. In addition, the compounds being acquired from Biotie are subject to all the risks inherent in the drug development process, and there can be no assurance that these compounds will receive regulatory approval or be commercially successful. These and other risks are described in greater detail in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. We may not actually achieve the goals or plans described in our forward-looking statements, and investors should not place undue reliance on these statements. Forward-looking statements made in this release are made only as of the date hereof, and we disclaim any intent or obligation to update any forward-looking statements as a result of developments occurring after the date of this release.

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