

**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): **January 18, 2016**

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.)

420 Saw Mill River Road,
Ardsley, NY
(Address of principal executive offices)

10502
(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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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01**Other Events**

On January 18, 2016, Acorda Therapeutics, Inc. (the “Company”) entered into a settlement agreement with Par Pharmaceutical, Inc. (“Par”) to resolve pending patent litigation brought by the Company against Par involving Ampyra® (dalfampridine) Extended-Release Tablets. The pending patent litigation was filed by the Company in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware in response to Par’s submission of an Abbreviated New Drug Application (“ANDA”) to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (“FDA”), seeking marketing approval for a generic version of Ampyra. As a result of the settlement agreement, Par will be permitted to market a generic version of Ampyra in the United States at a specified date in 2027, or potentially earlier under certain circumstances. The parties will request that the Court enter a Consent Order, in which it will dismiss the Company’s litigation against Par referred to above. Details of the settlement are confidential, and the parties will submit the agreement to the Federal Trade Commission and the Department of Justice, as required by federal law. The settlement with Par does not resolve pending patent litigation brought by the Company against other parties who have submitted ANDAs to the FDA seeking marketing approval for generic versions of Ampyra. The expiration date for the Company’s latest expiring Ampyra patent listed in the FDA’s Orange Book is May 2027.

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.

January 20, 2016

Acorda Therapeutics, Inc.

By: /s/ Michael Rogers
Name: Michael Rogers
Title: Chief Financial Officer