ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC Form 8-K July 22, 2015

## 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 22, 2015

Acorda Therapeutics, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 000-50513
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission of incorporation) 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

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

Item 8.01 Other Events

On July 22, 2015, Acorda Therapeutics, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that that the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation has awarded the Company a \$1.4 million grant to support the development of a formulation and delivery system for a dry powder version of lung surfactant, a drug used to treat neonatal respiratory distress syndrome (RDS). The formulation will be based on the Company's proprietary ARCUS technology, and will be produced in collaboration with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, and incorporated by reference into this Item.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated July 22, 2015

#### **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 22, 2015 By: /s/ Michael Rogers

Name: Michael Rogers

Title: Chief Financial Officer

# EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated July 22, 2015