ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * COHEN RON			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC [ACOR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 420 SAW MII	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/01/2014	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) President and CEO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
ARDSLEY, NY 10502				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	(A) or			Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	12/01/2014		M	51,265 (1)	A	\$ 8.14	529,794	D			
Common Stock	12/01/2014		S	34,394 (1)	D	\$ 35.5918 (2)	495,400	D			

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	iorDerivative Securities		Derivative Expiration Date (Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Instr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.14	12/01/2014		M	5	1,265 (1)	(3)	01/01/2015	Common Stock	51,265

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

COHEN RON

420 SAW MILL RIVER ROAD President and CEO

ARDSLEY, NY 10502

Signatures

/s/ Ron Cohen 12/03/2014

**Signature of Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Exercise and sales pursuant to a 10b5-1 plan. Dr. Cohen exercised 51,265 stock options, all of which were due to expire 1/1/2015 unless exercised. Dr. Cohen sold 19,200 of the resultant shares, the proceeds of which are being used to fund the exercise of the options and the

- (1) resulting tax liability. In addition, Dr. Cohen vested in 30,384 shares of restricted stock of which he sold 15,194 shares, the proceeds of which are being used to fund the resulting tax liability. A record of all of Dr. Cohen's holdings is available in Acorda's SEC filings. Dr. Cohen retains the majority of the equity he has been granted in the Company since founding Acorda in 1995.
- The price reported represents the weighted average sales price of shares sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$35.27 to (2) \$36.27 per share. The reporting person will provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer or the SEC staff, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range.
- (3) The shares subject to these options vested in installments and were fully vested on 3/01/2009.

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