

ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(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) (First) (Middle)
 420 SAW MILL RIVER ROAD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/01/2014

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 President and CEO

ARDSLEY, NY 10502

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
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 495,400 D (2)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	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	51,265 (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 ARDSLEY, NY 10502			President and CEO	

Signatures

/s/ Ron Cohen 12/03/2014
 **Signature of Reporting 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 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.
- (1) The price reported represents the weighted average sales price of shares sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$35.27 to \$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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