ACACIA RESEARCH CORP

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

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may continue.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GRAZIADIO G LOUIS III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ACACIA RESEARCH CORP

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

[ACTG]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 05/19/2016

_X__ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

520 NEWPORT CENTER DR., 12TH FLOOR

> (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 Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficia	ally 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. Securiti corr Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	ed of	` ′	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)
Common Stock	05/19/2016		Code V P	Amount 39,444	(D)	Price \$ 4.5943	362,729	D	
Common Stock	05/19/2016		P	10,000	A	\$ 4.5943	372,729	D	
Common Stock	05/19/2016		P	39,443	A	\$ 4.5943	198,231	I	Graziadio Family Trust u/d/t 11/13/75 (1)
Common Stock	05/19/2016		P	10,000	A	\$ 4.5943	10,000	I	The George &

			Reva Graziadio Charitable Lead Annuity Trust (2)
Common Stock	5,000	I	Shares purchased for minor child. (3)
Common Stock	5,000	I	Shares purchased for minor child. (4)

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)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans
			Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GRAZIADIO G LOUIS III 520 NEWPORT CENTER DR. 12TH FLOOR NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660	X						

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G. Louis Graziadio, III 05/20/2016

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).
- These shares are owned by the Graziadio Family Trust u/d/t 11/13/75 ("GFT"), an irrevocable trust established by Mr. Graziadio for the benefit of his children. Mr. Graziadio is neither a trustee nor a beneficiary of GFT and disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by GFT.
- These shares are owned by the George & Reva Graziadio Charitable Lead Annuity Trust (the "Annuity Trust"), as to which Mr. Graziadio (2) is trustee and Mr. Graziadio's minor children are contingent beneficiaries. Mr. Graziadio disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by the Annuity Trust.
- (3) These shares were purchased for Mr. Graziadio's minor child, Marianna R. Graziadio.
- (4) These shares were purchased for Mr. Graziadio's minor child, George L. Graziadio, IV.

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