

HAYNES CLAYTON J

Form 4

October 05, 2010

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HAYNES CLAYTON J

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ACACIA RESEARCH CORP
[ACTG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
500 NEWPORT CENTER
DRIVE, 7TH FLOOR

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/04/2010

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
CFO, Treas. Sr. V.P. Finance

(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
Person

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

(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 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)
Common Stock	10/04/2010		M	4,600	A \$ 3.9565	103,848	D
Common Stock	10/04/2010		S ⁽¹⁾	204	D \$ 19.7 (2)	103,644	D
Common Stock	10/04/2010		S ⁽¹⁾	283	D \$ 19.86 (3)	103,361	D
Common Stock	10/04/2010		S ⁽¹⁾	148	D \$ 19.97 (4)	103,213	D
Common Stock	10/04/2010		S ⁽¹⁾	266	D \$ 20.09 (5)	102,947	D

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Common Stock	10/04/2010	S ⁽¹⁾	245	D	\$ 20.28 ₍₆₎	102,702	D
Common Stock	10/04/2010	S ⁽¹⁾	1,174	D	\$ 20.44 ₍₇₎	101,528	D
Common Stock	10/04/2010	S ⁽¹⁾	2,033	D	\$ 20.56 ₍₈₎	99,495	D
Common Stock	10/04/2010	S ⁽¹⁾	247	D	\$ 20.71 ₍₉₎	99,248	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. 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)		8. D S (I
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.9565	10/04/2010		M	4,600	04/01/2004	04/02/2011	Common Stock	4,600	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
HAYNES CLAYTON J 500 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE 7TH FLOOR NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660	CFO, Treas. Sr. V.P. Finance

Signatures

Clayton J.
Haynes

10/05/2010

__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).

- (1) The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5(1) Trading Plan adopted by the Reporting Person on March 3, 2010.
- (2) The price reported is the average price for shares sold between \$19.6838 and \$19.73 per share.
- (3) The price reported is the average price for shares sold between \$19.79 and \$19.94 per share.
- (4) The price reported is the average price for shares sold between \$19.95 and \$20.015 per share.
- (5) The price reported is the average price for shares sold between \$20.02 and \$20.17 per share.
- (6) The price reported is the average price for shares sold between \$20.18 and \$20.33 per share.
- (7) The price reported is the average price for shares sold between \$20.34 and \$20.495 per share.
- (8) The price reported is the average price for shares sold between \$20.50 and \$20.65 per share.
- (9) The price reported is the average price for shares sold between \$20.66 and \$20.80 per share.

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