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

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

FRIEDMAN JOHN H

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

02/09/2006

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC [ACOR]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O ACORDA THERAPEUTICS, INC., 15

SKYLINE DRIVE

(Street)

10% Owner _X_ Director Officer _Other

(Check all applicable)

6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below)

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

HAWTHORNE, NYÂ 10532

(City) (State)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

(Zip)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership Form: (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially

owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

Exercisable

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of

5. Ownership Form of

Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Expiration Title Date

Amount or Number of

Derivative Security: Security Direct (D) (Instr. 5)

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				Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Series J Convertible Preferred Stock	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	719,518 (2)	\$ 7.644	I	See <u>(3)</u>
Series K Convertible Preferred Stock	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	76,923 <u>(2)</u>	\$ 9.75	I	See (3)
Series K Convertible Preferred Stock	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	76,923 (2)	\$ 9.75	I	See (4)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
FRIEDMAN JOHN H C/O ACORDA THERAPEUTICS, INC. 15 SKYLINE DRIVE HAWTHORNE, NY 10532	ÂX	Â	Â	Â	

Signatures

/s/ Michelle Meyers, by power of attorney 02/09/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

Date

- (1) The convertible preferred stock is convertible at any time, at the holder's discretion, and has no expiration date.
- (2) The number of shares underlying convertible preferred stock in column 3 of Table II represents the number of shares of Common Stock of the Issuer that the convertible preferred stock will automatically convert into upon the closing of the Issuer's initial public offering.
- These shares are held by Easton Hunt Capital Partners, L.P. ("EHCP"). According to information provided by EHCP, Mr. Friedman could be deemed to have shared voting and dispositive power with respect to the shares of stock held by EHCP. However, Mr. Friedman disclaims beneficial ownership except to the extent of his indirect pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed to be an admission that he is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16.
- These shares are held by Easton Hunt New York ("EHNY"). According to information provided by EHNY, Mr. Friedman could be deemed to have shared voting and dispositive power with respect to the shares of stock held by EHNY. However, Mr. Friedman disclaims beneficial ownership except to the extent of his indirect pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed to be an admission that he is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16.

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Remarks:

Exhibit List - Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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