

Blight Andrew  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Blight Andrew

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC  
[ACOR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)  
  
\_\_\_\_ Director      \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)      \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Chief Scientific Officer

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
10/22/2012

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

ARDSLEY, NY 10502

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 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. 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount or Price					
Common Stock	10/22/2012		M		9,481 (1)	A	\$ 2.6	78,006	D	
Common Stock	10/22/2012		S		9,481 (1)	D	\$ 23.08 (2)	68,525	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. Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.6	10/22/2012		M	9,481 (1)	(3) 09/11/2013	Common Stock	9,481

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Blight Andrew 420 SAW MILL RIVER ROAD ARDSLEY, NY 10502			Chief Scientific Officer	

**Signatures**

/s/ Andrew Blight  
 10/24/2012  
 \*\*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) Exercise and sale pursuant to a 10b5-1 plan.  
 The price reported represents the weighted average sales price of shares sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$22.84 to \$23.26 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 March 11, 2004.

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