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

## FORM 8-K

## **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 22, 2010

## ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	000-26068	95-4405754	
(State or other jurisdiction of (	Commission File Number)		n
incorporation)		No.)	
1	Center Drive	92660	
•	ch, California		
(Address of princip	al executive offices)	(Zip Code)	
Registrant's telephone number,	including area code: (94	49) 480-8300	
Not applicable			
	rmer name or former address	ss, if changed since last repo	rt.)
Check the appropriate box below the registrant under any of the form	-	•	
[ ] Written commu	nications pursuant to Rule	425 under the Securities Act	(17 CFR 230.425)
[ ] Soliciting mater	ial pursuant to Rule 14a-12	2 under the Exchange Act (17	CFR 240.14a-12)
[ ] Pre-commencement comm	nunications pursuant to Rul	le 14d-2(b) under the Exchar	ge Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
[ ] Pre-commencement com	munications pursuant to Ru	ale 13e-4(c) under the Exchar	nge Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

Lambda Optical Solutions LLC, a subsidiary of Acacia Research Corporation, has entered into a settlement agreement with ADVA AG Optical Networking. This agreement resolves patent litigation that was pending against ADVA AG Optical Networking in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware.

#### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

#### ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION

Date: December 22, 2010 By: /s/ Paul R. Ryan

Name: Paul R. Ryan

Title: Chairman and Chief Executive

Officer