HAYNES CLAYTON J

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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) 500 NEWPO		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/04/2010	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 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		

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 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 <u>(1)</u>	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 <u>(1)</u>	2,033	D	\$ 20.56 (8)	99,495	D
Common Stock	10/04/2010	S <u>(1)</u>	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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)			,		`	
	Security			Disposed of						
					(D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				C-1- V	(4)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of
~ .				Code V	(A)	(D)				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	Kelationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	

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CFO, Treas. Sr. V.P. Finance

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Clayton J. Haynes 10/05/2010

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

Date

- ** 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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