ACACIA RESEARCH CORP

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Walsh Frank E. III

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

ACACIA RESEARCH CORP [ACTG]

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(City)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

05/05/2016

_X__ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

520 NEWPORT CENTER DR., 12TH FLOOR

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactiomr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			Securities C Beneficially F Owned I	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	(Ilisti. 4)
Common Stock	05/05/2016		P	10,000	A	\$ 4.65	85,000	D	
Common Stock	05/05/2016		P	10,000	A	\$ 4.6	95,000	D	
Common Stock	05/05/2016		P	5,000	A	\$ 4.5667	100,000	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. 5. TransactionNumber		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities		{ I
Security	or Exercise	(Mondin Bayr Tear)	any	Code of		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		5
(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	erivative eccurities ecquired a) or isposed (D) nstr. 3,				(
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.01					10/01/2016	04/07/2023	Acacia Research Corporation Common Stock	70,588	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Walsh Frank E. III 520 NEWPORT CENTER DR. 12TH FLOOR NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660	X					

Signatures

Frank E. Walsh,
III

**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).

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