HAYNES CLAYTON J

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading HAYNES CLAYTON J Issuer Symbol ACACIA RESEARCH CORP (Check all applicable) [ACTG] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) **500 NEWPORT CENTER** 04/20/2011 CFO, Treas. Sr. V.P. Finance DRIVE, 7TH FLOOR (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

(State)

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(City)	(State)	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. Securit or Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of	` '	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	04/20/2011		S <u>(1)</u>	12,500	D	\$ 38.0579 (2)	80,572	D		
Common Stock	04/21/2011		S <u>(1)</u>	6,324	D	\$ 38.0334 (3)	74,248	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)

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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HAYNES CLAYTON J 500 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE 7TH FLOOR NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

CFO, Treas. Sr. V.P. Finance

Signatures

Clayton J. 04/21/2011 Haynes

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5(1) Trading Plan adopted by the Reporting Person on December 1, 2010.
- (2) The price reported is the average price for shares sold between \$38.00 and \$38.23 per share.
- (3) The price reported is the average price for shares sold between \$38.00 and \$38.20 per share.

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