ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC

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 * PANEM SANDRA PHD

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC

(Check all applicable)

[ACOR]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

_X__ Director 10% Owner

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

02/15/2006

Other (specify Officer (give title

C/O ACORDA THERAPEUTICS, INC, 15 SKYLINE DRIVE

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

HAWTHORNE, NY 10532

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Se	ecuriti	es Acqı	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acqu Transaction(A) or Disposed or Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		of (D) Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common	02/15/2006		Code V	Amount 1,630	(D) A	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4) 1,630 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common	02/15/2006		C	545,272	A	<u>(1)</u>	546,902 (1)	I	See (2)
Common	02/15/2006		C	42,749	A	<u>(1)</u>	589,651 <u>(1)</u>	I	See (2)
Common	02/15/2006		C	108,833	A	<u>(1)</u>	698,484 <u>(1)</u>	I	See <u>(3)</u>
Common	02/15/2006		C	8,534	A	<u>(1)</u>	707,018 (1)	I	See <u>(3)</u>
Common	02/15/2006		P	41,667	A	\$6	748,685	I	See (2)

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D))	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Series H Convertible Preferred Stock	(1)	02/15/2006		C	2,11	19	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	1,630 <u>(1)</u>
Series J Convertible Preferred Stock	(1)	02/15/2006		С	708,8	354	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	545,272 (1)
Series J Convertible Preferred Stock	(1)	02/15/2006		С	141,4	185	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	108,833 (1)
Series K Convertible Preferred Stock	(1)	02/15/2006		С	55,5	74	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	42,749 (1)
Series K Convertible Preferred Stock	(1)	02/15/2006		С	11,0	93	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	8,534 <u>(1)</u>

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PANEM SANDRA PHD C/O ACORDA THERAPEUTICS, INC 15 SKYLINE DRIVE HAWTHORNE, NY 10532	X						

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Signatures

s/ Michelle Meyers, by power of attorney

02/17/2006

**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) All of the outstanding shares of the Issuer's Series H, J and K Convertible Preferred Stock automatically converted to Common Stock of the Issuer upon the closing of the Issuer's initial public offering and had no expiration date.
- These shares are held by Cross Atlantic Partners IV, K/S ("CAP"). According to information provided by CAP, Ms. Panem could be deemed to have shared voting and dispositive power with respect to the shares of stock held by CAP. However, Ms. Panem disclaims beneficial ownership except to the extent of her indirect pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed to be an admission that she is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16.
- (3) These shares are held by Nordea Bank Danmark A/S ("Nordea"). According to information provided by Nordea, Ms. Panem could be deemed to have shared voting and dispositive power with respect to the shares of stock held by Nordea. However, Ms. Panem disclaims beneficial ownership except to the extent of her indirect pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed to be an admission that she is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16.

Remarks:

Exhibit List - Exhibit 24: Power of Attorney

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