#### ACACIA RESEARCH CORP

Form 4

August 02, 2013

## 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).

(Last)

(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]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

07/31/2013

(Middle)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director below)

10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title

Sr VP and CFO

500 NEWPORT CENTER DR. 7TH **FLOOR** 

(First)

(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 Form filed by More than One Reporting

#### NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) any Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code V	Amount	or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	07/31/2013		S(1)	1,413	D	\$ 22.8711	72,533	D		
Common Stock	07/31/2013		M	3,136	A	\$ 5.17	75,669	D		
Common Stock	07/31/2013		S(2)	1,023	D	\$ 22.82	74,646	D		
Common Stock	07/31/2013		S(2)	81	D	\$ 22.83	74,565	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 (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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	ransaction Derivative ode Securities		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	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 5.17	07/31/2013		M		3,136	11/24/2006	11/24/2013	Common Stock	3,136	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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

Sr VP and CFO

### **Signatures**

Clayton J. 08/02/2013 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 March 14, 2013.
- (2) The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5(1) Trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on September 13, 2012.

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