

ACACIA RESEARCH CORP  
 Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 GRAZIADIO G LOUIS III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 ACACIA RESEARCH CORP  
 [ACTG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 500 NEWPORT CENTER  
 DRIVE, 7TH FLOOR  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 11/04/2010

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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 Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	V	Amount				(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	11/04/2010		M			10,000	A	\$ 6.94	30,767	D	
Common Stock	11/04/2010		S			10,000	D	\$ 27.1533	20,767	D	
Common Stock	11/04/2010		M			5,000	A	\$ 6.5407	25,767	D	
Common Stock	11/04/2010		S			5,000	D	\$ 27.31 <u>(1)</u>	20,767	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.94	11/04/2010		M	10,000	01/03/2007 01/03/2016	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.5407	11/04/2010		M	5,000	02/25/2003 02/25/2012	Common Stock	5,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GRAZIADIO G LOUIS III 500 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE 7TH FLOOR NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660	X			

## Signatures

G. Louis  
Graziadio, III

11/08/2010

\*\*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) The price reported is the average price for shares sold between \$27.2519 and \$27.40 per share.

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