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December 12, 2002

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 or 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) - December 11, 2002

ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

Delaware ----- (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)	000-26068 ----- (Commission File Number)	95-4405754 ----- (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
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500 Newport Center Drive, Newport Beach, California ----- (Address of Principal Executive Offices)	92660 ----- (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (949) 480-8300

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed since Last Report)

ITEM 7. EXHIBITS.

- (a) Not Applicable.
- (b) Not Applicable.
- (c) Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1

Press Release dated December 11, 2002 of the Registrant.

ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.

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On December 11, 2002, Acacia Research Corporation issued a press release, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION

Date: December 11, 2002

By: /s/ Paul R. Ryan

Name: Paul R. Ryan
Title: Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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