

ACACIA RESEARCH CORP  
Form 8-K  
December 11, 2012

**UNITED STATES**  
**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 6, 2012

**ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

**000-26068**  
(Commission

File Number)

**95-4405754**  
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

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500 Newport Center Drive,

Newport Beach, California  
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (949) 480-8300

92660  
(Zip Code)

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On December 6, 2012, Dooyong Lee notified Acacia Research Corporation (the Company ) that he intends to resign from his position as Executive Vice President of the Company, and from any positions held with any subsidiary of the Company, including Acacia Research Group, effective as of December 31, 2012. Mr. Lee is resigning to pursue other interests and not as a result of any disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to the Company s operations, policies or practices.

**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, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: December 11, 2012

ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION

By: /s/ Clayton J. Haynes  
Clayton J. Haynes

Chief Financial Officer