ACURA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC Form 8-K October 04, 2005

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

October 3, 2005

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

ACURA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

State of New York (State of Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 1-10113

(Commission File Number)

11-0853640

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

616 N. North Court, Suite 120 Palatine, Illinois 60067

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(847) 705-7709

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

Item 8.01 Other Events

On October 3, 2005, Acura Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing the Company's receipt of communication from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") requesting certain non-clinical studies relating to the Company's Product Candidate #2. A copy of the Company's Press Release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit <u>Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release dated October 3, 2005 Announcing Receipt of FDA Communication.

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.

ACURA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Date: October 3, 2005 By: /s/ Peter A. Clemens

Peter A. Clemens

Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

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