ACURA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC Form 8-K October 31, 2011

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 31, 2011

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):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On October 31, 2011 we issued a press release disclosing the financial results for our third quarter ended September 30, 2011. A copy of our press release is being furnished as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release dated October 31, 2011 announcing financial results for the third quarter ended

September 30, 2011

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.

By:/s/ Peter A. Clemens
Peter A. Clemens
Senior Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

Date: October 31, 2011

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99.1 Press Release dated October 31, 2011 announcing financial results for the third quarter ended

September 30, 2011