ACURA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC

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Form 8-K

December 09, 2013		
UNITED STATES		
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMI	SSION	
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20549		
FORM 8-K		
CURRENT REPORT		
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the		
Securities Exchange Act Of 1934		
December 9, 2013		
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported		
ACURA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.		
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Cha	arter)	
State of New York (State of Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	1-10113 (Commission File Number)	11-0853640 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

Edgar Filling. ACCITAT FIARINIACEC FICALS, INC - FORTH 6-10
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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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17CFR 240.13e-L(c))

#### **Item 8.01 Other Events**

On December 9, 2013 we issued a press release announcing an update on our abuse deterrent hydrocodone with acetaminophen combination tablet drug development program. The press release is attached hereto and filed as Exhibit 99.1.

#### **Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

### **Exhibit Number Description**

99.1 Press Release dated December 9, 2013

#### **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: December 9, 2013

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