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**

May 1, 2013 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)

provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):
□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17CFR 240.14a-12)
□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17CFR240.14d- 2(b))
□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17CFR 240.13e- 4(c))

Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

On May 1, 2013, we held our Annual Meeting of Shareholders at which the shareholders voted (i) for the election of Immanuel Thangaraj, Bruce F. Wesson, Robert B. Jones, William G. Skelly and George K. Ross to our Board of Directors for one-year terms; and (ii) for the ratification of the appointment of BDO USA, LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the 2013 fiscal year ending December 31, 2013.

The results of the voting with respect to each matter voted upon, as applicable, are set forth below.

1. Election of Directors:

<u>Nominee</u>	<u>For</u>	<u>Withheld</u>	Broker <u>Non-Votes</u>
Robert B. Jones	34,920,212	526,047	8,267,244
Bruce F. Wesson	35,197,190	249,069	8,267,244
William Skelly	35,327,585	118,674	8,267,244
Immanuel Thangaraj	35,168,995	277,264	8,267,244
George Ross	35.318.864	127.395	8.267.244

2. Ratification of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for 2013 Fiscal Year:

			Broker
<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>	Non-Votes
43,458,793	121,408	133,302	0

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: May 1, 2013