UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

ACM RESEARCH, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of Incorporation or organization)

42307 Osgood Road, Suite I Fremont, California (Address of principal executive offices) 94-3290283 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

> 94539 (Zip code)

1998 Stock Option Plan 2016 Omnibus Incentive Plan (Full title of the plan)

David H. Wang Chief Executive Officer and President ACM Research, Inc. 42307 Osgood Road, Suit I Fremont, California 94539 (510) 445-3700 (Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

With a copy to:

Mark L. Johnson K&L Gates LLP One Lincoln Street Boston, MA 02111 (617) 261-3260

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company" and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer		Accelerated filer	
Non-accelerated filer	\Box (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	Smaller reporting company	
		Emerging growth company	X

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revise financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act.

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Securities to be Registered	Amount to be registered(1)	Proposed maximum offering price per share(2)	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price(2)	Amount of registration fee
Class A common stock, \$0.0001 par value per share:				
1998 Stock Option Plan	66,668	\$4.88	\$ 325,339.84	\$ 40.50

2016 Omnibus Incentive Plan	2,925,258	\$4.88	\$14,275,259.04	\$1,777.27
				\$1,817.77

(1) In accordance with Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement shall be deemed to cover any additional securities that may from time to time be offered or issued to prevent dilution resulting from stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions.

(2) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rules 457(c) and (h) under the Securities Act of 1933 and based upon the average of the high and low prices of the registrant's Class A common stock as reported on The NASDAQ Global Market on January 22, 2018.

PART I INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

Item 1. Plan Information.

The information required by Item 1 is included in documents sent or given to participants in the plans covered by this registration statement pursuant to Rule 428(b)(1) of the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act").

Item 2. Registrant Information and Employee Plan Annual Information.

The written statement required by Item 2 is included in documents sent or given to participants in the plans covered by this registration statement pursuant to Rule 428(b)(1) of the Securities Act.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The registrant is subject to the informational and reporting requirements of Sections 13(a), 14, and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"), and in accordance therewith files reports, proxy statements and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). The following filings with the SEC are incorporated in this registration statement by reference:

- (a) the later filed of (i) the registrant's prospectus filed on November 3, 2017 pursuant to Rule 424(b) of the Securities Act and (ii) the registrant's latest annual report filed pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act that contains audited financial statements for the registrant's latest fiscal year for which such statements have been filed;
- (b) all other reports filed pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act since the end of the fiscal year covered by the document referred to in (a) above; and
- (c) the description of the Class A common stock contained in the registrant's registration statement on Form 8-A filed on November 1, 2017 under the Exchange Act, including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

All documents subsequently filed by the registrant pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act, prior to the filing of a posteffective amendment which indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this registration statement and to be part hereof from the date of the filing of such documents. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for the purposes of this registration statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this registration statement.

Item 4. Description of Securities.

See the description of the registrant's Class A common stock contained under the caption "Description of Capital Stock" in the registrant's prospectus filed on November 3, 2017 pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act.

Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel

K&L Gates LLP has opined as to the legality of the shares of common stock being offered by this registration statement.

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Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Sections 145 and 102(b)(7) of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware provide that a corporation may indemnify any person made a party to an action by reason of the fact that he or she was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation or is or was serving at the request of a corporation against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him or her in connection with such action if he or she acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the corporation and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful, except that, in the case of an action by or in right of the corporation, no indemnification may generally be made in respect of any claim as to which such person is adjudged to be liable to the corporation.

The registrant's Restated Certificate of Incorporation contains provisions that eliminate, to the maximum extent permitted by the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, the personal liability of the registrant's directors for monetary damages for breach of their fiduciary duties as directors. The registrant's Restated Bylaws provide that the registrant must indemnify its directors and officers and may indemnify its employees and other agents to the fullest extent permitted by the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

The registrant has entered into indemnification agreements with its directors and executive officers, in addition to the indemnification provided for in its Restated Bylaws, and intends to enter into indemnification agreements with any new directors and executive officers in the future.

The registrant has purchased and intends to maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director or officer of the registrant against any loss arising from any claim asserted against him or her and incurred by him or her in any such capacity, subject to certain exclusions.

Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not applicable.

Item 8. Exhibits.

Exhibit <u>Number</u> 4.01*	Description Restated Certificate of Incorporation of ACM Research, Inc.
4.02*	Restated Bylaws of ACM Research, Inc.
5.01	Opinion of K&L Gates LLP
23.01	Consent of BDO China Shu Lan Pan Certified Public Accountants LLP
23.02	Consent of K&L Gates LLP (included in Exhibit 5.01)
24.01	Power of Attorney (included on the signature page of this registration statement)
99.01*	ACM Research, Inc. 1998 Stock Option Plan
99.02**	ACM Research, Inc. 2016 Omnibus Incentive Plan

* Previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission as an Exhibit to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1, as amended (File No. 333-220451), and incorporated herein by reference.

Previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission as an Exhibit to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, as amended (File No. 000-38273), and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9. Undertakings

- 1. The registrant hereby undertakes:
 - (a) to file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
 - (i) to include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;
 - (ii) to reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent posteffective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement; and

(iii) to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(i) and (a)(ii) do not apply if the registration statement is on Form S-8 and the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission by the registrant pursuant to Sections 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement;

- (b) that, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered herein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof; and
- (c) to remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- 2. The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered herein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- 3. Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Fremont, State of California, as of January 18, 2018.

ACM RESEARCH, INC.

/s/ David H. Wang	ıg
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David H. Wang Chief Executive Officer and President

POWER OF ATTORNEY AND SIGNATURES

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints David H. Wang and Lisa Feng, and each or either of them, as his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him or her, and in his or her name in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post- effective amendments) to this registration statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in connection therewith, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or any of them, or their or his substitutes or substitute, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities indicated, as of January 18, 2018.

Signature	Title
/s/ David H. Wang David H. Wang	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)
/s/ Lisa Feng Lisa Feng	Interim Chief Financial Officer, Chief Accounting Officer and Treasurer (<i>Principal Accounting and Financial Officer</i>)
/s/ Haiping Dun Haiping Dun	Director
/s/ Chenming Hu Chenming Hu	Director
/s/ Tracy Liu Tracy Liu	Director
Yinan Xiang	Director
Zhengfan Yang	Director
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Exhibit 5.01



January 25, 2018

ACM RESEARCH, INC. 42307 Osgood Road, Suite I Fremont, California 94539

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are counsel to ACM Research, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and we have acted as counsel to the Company in connection with the preparation of the Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") to be filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), of 2,991,926 shares (the "Shares") of the Company's Class A common stock, \$0.0001 par value per share, which are to be issued from time to time in connection with the Company's 1998 Stock Option Plan and the 2016 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the "Plans").

This opinion is being delivered in accordance with the requirements of Item 601(b)(5) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act.

You have requested our opinion as to the matters set forth below in connection with the Registration Statement. For purposes of rendering that opinion, we have examined copies of the Plans, the Registration Statement, the Company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Restated Bylaws, and the corporate actions of the Company that provide for the issuance of the Shares, and we have made such other investigation as we have deemed appropriate. We also have examined and relied upon certificates of public officials and, in rendering our opinion, we have made the assumptions that are customary in opinion letters of this kind. We have not verified any of those assumptions.

Based upon and subject to the foregoing and the additional qualifications and other matters set forth below, we are of the opinion that the Shares have been duly and validly authorized and reserved for issuance and that the Shares, when issued in accordance with the terms of the Plans, will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

The opinion expressed in this opinion letter is limited to the laws of the State of Delaware. The foregoing opinion is rendered as of the date of this letter. We assume no obligation to update or supplement such opinion in order to reflect any changes of law or fact that may occur.

We are furnishing this opinion letter to you solely in connection with the Registration Statement. You may not rely on this opinion letter in any other connection, and it may not be furnished to or relied upon by any other person for any purpose, without our specific prior written consent. We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as Exhibit 5.01 to the Registration Statement. In giving our consent we do not thereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act or the rules and regulations thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ K&L Gates LLP

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CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

ACM Research, Inc. 42307 OSGOOD RD. Suite I Fremont, California 94539 United States

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 of our report dated September 13, 2017 relating to the consolidated financial statements of ACM Research, Inc. for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, which appears in the Prospectus pursuant to Rule 424(b) of the Securities Act (File No. 333-220451) filed on November 3, 2017.

BDO China Shu Lun Pan Certified Public Accountants LLP

Shenzhen, the People's Republic of China January 25, 2018