MANHARD KIMBERLY

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MANHARD KIMBERLY | | ng Person * | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ardea Biosciences, Inc./DE [RDEA] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | |
|--|----------|-------------|--|---|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check all applicable) | | |
| 4939 DIRECTO | ORS PLAC | Ε | (Month/Day/Year) 02/26/2010 | Director 10% Owner Sylvantification of the control of the contro | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | |
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| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tab | le I - Non- | Derivative | Secu | rities Acqui | red, Disposed of, | or Beneficiall | y Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|--------------|-----------|----------------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | (A) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | 02/26/2010 | | Code V M(1) | Amount 2,500 | or (D) | Price \$ 3.9 | (Instr. 3 and 4) 9,825 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/26/2010 | | S <u>(1)</u> | 2,500 | D | \$ 14.2834 (2) | 7,325 | D | |

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exer Expiration I (Month/Day | Date | 7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and | Securities |
|---|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|--------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 3.9 | 02/26/2010 | | M <u>(1)</u> | 2,500 | (3) | 12/20/2016 | Common Stock | 2,500 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Keiations |

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MANHARD KIMBERLY 4939 DIRECTORS PLACE SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

SVP, Regulatory & Dev Ops

Signatures

/s/ Kimberly J. 03/01/2010 Manhard

**Signature of Reporting Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The stock option exercise and sale of common stock reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 plan dated as of June 5, 2009.
- (2) The range of sales prices received was \$14.05 to \$14.3835. Upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer, or any security holder of the issuer, full information will be provided regarding the number of shares purchased or sold at each separate price.
- (3) 25% of the shares subject to the stock option vested and became exercisable on December 21, 2007. The remaining shares vest in equal monthly installments over the following 3 years.

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