FUCHS HENRY J Form 4 March 12, 2010

### FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** FUCHS HENRY J			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			Ardea Biosciences, Inc./DE [RDEA] (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
			(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner		
4939 DIRECTORS PLACE			03/10/2010	Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
SAN DIEGO, CA 92121				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I Non Derivative Securities Acc	guired Disposed of ar Reneficially Owner		

(City)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	onor Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or	5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/10/2010		Code V M(1)	4,000	(D)	Price \$ 2.76	14,416	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2010		S <u>(1)</u>	4,000	D	\$ 16.1197 (2)	10,416	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Derivative Expiration Date curities (Month/Day/Year) quired ) or sposed of ) str. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.76	03/10/2010		M(1)	4,00	) (3)	02/05/2013	Common Stock	4,000

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# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer Other				
FUCHS HENRY J							
4939 DIRECTORS PLACE	X						
SAN DIEGO, CA 92121							

# **Signatures**

/s/ Henry J.
Fuchs

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

O3/12/2010

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 10, 2009.
- (2) The range of sales prices received was \$16.1001 to \$16.2250. 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) The stock option vested and became exercisable in 48 equal monthly installments beginning one month after the Date of Grant (02/06/2003).

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