Ardea Biosciences, Inc./DE Form 4 June 20, 2012

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

Common

Stock

06/19/2012

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DAVIS STEPHEN			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 Tra	ansaction	(Check all applicable)			
4939 DIRECTORS PLACE			(Month/Day/Year) 06/19/2012			DirectorX Officer (give below)		Owner er (specify	
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Securities Acq	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction I (Month/Day/Ye	ar) Executi any	emed on Date, if /Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	

Code V

D

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

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Following

Reported

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

(A)

(D)

D

Price

\$32 0

Amount

16,099

(1)

(Instr. 4)

D

(Instr. 4)

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

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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 of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am Nui Sha
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.35	06/19/2012		D	18,732	(2)	04/05/2020	Common Stock	18
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.35	06/19/2012		D	131,268	(2)	04/05/2020	Common Stock	13
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.66	06/19/2012		D	80,000	(2)	12/13/2020	Common Stock	80
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.94	06/19/2012		D	5,279	(2)	12/15/2021	Common Stock	5
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.94	06/19/2012		D	74,721	(2)	12/15/2021	Common Stock	74
Restricted Stock Award	\$ 0	06/19/2012		D	11,459	(3)	04/05/2020	Common Stock	11

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
DAVIS STEPHEN						
4939 DIRECTORS PLACE			EVP & COO			
SAN DIEGO, CA 92121						

Signatures

/s/ Stephen R.
Davis

_**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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) Includes 283 shares acquired under the Ardea Biosciences, Inc. ("Ardea") 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan on June 12, 2012.

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- This option was canceled pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of April 21, 2012, by and among Ardea, Zeneca Inc.

 and QAM Corp. (the "Merger Agreement"), in exchange for a payment in cash, without interest and less the amount of any required tax withholding, equal to the product of: (i) the excess of \$32.00 (the per share merger consideration pursuant to the Merger Agreement) over the exercise price of the option; and (ii) the number of shares of Ardea common stock underlying the option.
- This restricted stock award was canceled pursuant to the Merger Agreement in exchange for a payment in cash, without interest and less (3) the amount of any required tax withholding, equal to the product of: (i) \$32.00 (the per share merger consideration pursuant to the Merger Agreement); and (ii) the number of shares of Ardea common stock subject to the restricted stock award.

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