Atara Biotherapeutics, Inc.

Form 4

February 16, 2017

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Soffer Gad

> (Last) (First) (Middle)

611 GATEWAY

BOULEVARD, SUITE 900

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

(City)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Atara Biotherapeutics, Inc. [ATRA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

02/14/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title below)

EVP & Chief Strategy Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

		Table 1 Tion Derivative Securities Required, Disposed of, or Deficiently Owned									
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or				
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	:. 8) (A)			Owned Following Reported	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock	02/14/2017		S <u>(1)</u>	7,000	D	15.22 (2)	262,538	D			
Common Stock	02/15/2017		M	9,616	A	\$ 0 (3)	272,154	D			
Common Stock	02/15/2017		M	4,146	A	\$ 0 (3)	276,300	D			
Common Stock	02/16/2017		S(4)	7,273	D	\$ 15.62 (5)	269,027	D			

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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	xercise any Code Securities e of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired vative (A) or		ivative ties red sed of	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deriv Secu (Inst		
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(6)</u>	02/15/2017		M	9	9,616	<u>(7)</u>	<u>(8)</u>	Common Stock	9,616	\$
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(6)</u>	02/15/2017		M	4	1,146	<u>(9)</u>	(10)	Common Stock	4,146	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer

Soffer Gad

611 GATEWAY BOULEVARD SUITE 900

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

EVP & Chief Strategy Officer

Other

Signatures

/s/ Tina Gullotta, Attorney-in-Fact for Gad

Soffer 02/16/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person 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) Transaction pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 Plan adopted September 26, 2016.

(2)

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The price in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. The prices actually received ranged from \$15.00 to \$15.65. The reporting person will provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the SEC staff, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range.

- (3) Shares issued upon settlement of vested restricted stock units ("RSUs").
- (4) Shares sold to cover tax liability from settlement of RSUs.
- The price in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. The prices actually received ranged from \$15.40 to \$16.30. The reporting person will provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the SEC staff, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range.
- (6) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock or a cash settlement.
 - The RSUs were granted with both (a) a liquidity event-based vesting condition and (b) a service-based vesting condition, both of which conditions must be satisfied in order for the RSUs to vest. The liquidity event-based condition was satisfied upon the closing of the
- Issuer's initial public offering (the "IPO"). The shares that vested on the closing date of the IPO, and the shares that vested thereafter through May 15, 2015, were settled on May 15, 2015. The service-based vesting condition provides that 25% of the total number of shares on March 25, 2014 and 1/48th of the total number of shares monthly thereafter, subject to the holder's continuous service through each such date.
- (8) The earlier of (i) March 13, 2020 or (ii) the recipient's termination date.
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- (9) Issuer's initial public offering (the "IPO"). The shares that vested on the closing date of the IPO, and the shares that vested thereafter through May 15, 2015, were settled on May 15, 2015. The service-based vesting condition provides that 1/48th of the total number of shares shall vest monthly from January 10, 2014, subject to the holder's continuous service through each such date.
- (10) The earlier of (i) January 10, 2021 or (ii) the recipient's termination date.

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