

Ardea Biosciences, Inc./DE
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Baker Bros. Capital (GP), LLC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Ardea Biosciences, Inc./DE [RDEA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 667 MADISON AVENUE 17TH FLOOR

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/23/2009

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

(Street)
 NEW YORK, NY US 10021

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 ____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	Price		
Common Stock (1) (2)	01/23/2009		J		26,982 (3)	\$ 0	137,094 (5) I	Through Partnership (5)
Common Stock (1) (2)	01/23/2009		J		1,084 (4)	\$ 0	136,010 (6) I	Through Partnership (6)

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

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(1) In addition to Baker Bros. Capital (GP), LLC, this Form 4 is being filed jointly by Felix J. Baker and Julian C. Baker, each of whom has the same business address as Baker Bros. Capital (GP), LLC and may be deemed to have a pecuniary interest in securities owned by it. Because of certain relationships with other security holders of the Issuer, the Reporting Persons are filing solely for informational purposes as if they were members of a group with such shareholders. (Continued in footnote 2)

(2) However, the Reporting Persons disclaim that they and any other person or persons in fact constitute a "group" for purposes of Section 13(d)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or Rule 13d 5 thereunder or that they are the beneficial owner of securities owned by such other persons, and each of them disclaims beneficial ownership of securities reported herein except to the extent of their pecuniary interest, if any, therein.

(3) Represents securities distributed by Baker Bros. Investments, L.P. to its limited partners.

(4) Represents securities distributed by Baker Bros. Investments, L.P. to its general partner. Felix J. Baker and Julian C. Baker have a pecuniary interest in these shares.

(5) Represents 75,183 shares owned directly by Baker Bros. Investments II, L.P. and 61,911 shares owned directly by Baker Bros. Investments, L.P., limited partnerships of which the sole general partner is Baker Bros. Capital, L.P., a limited partnership of which the sole general partner is Baker Bros. Capital (GP), LLC. Felix J. Baker and Julian C. Baker are controlling members of Baker Bros. Capital (GP), LLC.

(6) Represents 75,183 shares owned directly by Baker Bros. Investments II, L.P. and 60,827 shares owned directly by Baker Bros. Investments, L.P., limited partnerships of which the sole general partner is Baker Bros. Capital, L.P., a limited partnership of which the sole general partner is Baker Bros. Capital (GP), LLC. Felix J. Baker and Julian C. Baker are controlling members of Baker Bros. Capital (GP), LLC.

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