MANHARD KIMBERLY

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Addr MANHARD K	*	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) 4939 DIRECTORS PLACE		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
		E	(Month/Day/Year) 10/28/2011	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP, Regulatory & Dev Ops			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
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	(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative Securities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
	1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired (A)	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature
	Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	nor Disposed of (D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect
	(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Beneficially	Form:	Beneficial
			(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Owned	Direct (D)	Ownership

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(1	Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially	Form:	Beneficial
			(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)			Owned	Direct (D)	Ownership	
								Following	or Indirect	(Instr. 4)
						(A)		Reported	(I)	
						or		Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)	
				Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
	Common Stock	10/28/2011		M(1)	5,000	A	\$ 3.9	14,387	D	
							\$			
	Common Stock	10/28/2011		S <u>(1)</u>	5,000	D	21.2747 (2)	9,387	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number omf Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.9	10/28/2011		M <u>(1)</u>	5,000	<u>(3)</u>	12/20/2016	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MANHARD KIMBERLY 4939 DIRECTORS PLACE SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

SVP, Regulatory & Dev Ops

Signatures

/s/ Kimberly J. 10/28/2011 Manhard

**Signature of Reporting 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) 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 22, 2011.
- (2) The range of sales prices received was \$20.98 to \$21.76. 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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