Cara Therapeutics, Inc.

Form 4 June 19, 2014

FORM 4

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

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See Instruction 1(b).

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Medve Robert

> (First) (Middle)

C/O CARA THERAPEUTICS. INC.,, ONE PARROTT DRIVE

(Street)

(State)

SHELTON, CT 06484

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Cara Therapeutics, Inc. [CARA]

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

06/17/2014

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

below) Chief Medical 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

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (T) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

> Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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

Conversion or Exercise

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	nstr. 8) Acquired (A) of Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		f (D)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 14.01	06/17/2014		A		120,000		<u>(1)</u>	06/17/2024	Common Stock	120,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Medve Robert C/O CARA THERAPEUTICS, INC., ONE PARROTT DRIVE SHELTON, CT 06484

Chief Medical Officer

Signatures

/s/Alison Haggerty,
Attorney-in-Fact
06/19/2014

**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).
- These shares shall vest and become exercisable as to 25% of the option shares on June 17, 2015 and the remaining 75% shall vest in equal amounts at the end of each calendar month for the 36 month period following June 17, 2015.

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