

Ardea Biosciences, Inc./DE  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

667 MADISON AVENUE 17TH FLOOR

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY US 10021

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Ardea Biosciences, Inc./DE [RDEA]

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

12/19/2007

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_X\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 \_\_\_X\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)<br>Code V Amount (D) Price                             |   |  |   |
| Common Stock (1) (2)            | 12/19/2007                           |  | P                              | 2,059 (5) A \$ 13.25  | 135,746 (3) (4)   | I  | Through Partnership (4)                               |

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)**

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares                         |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Baker Bros. Capital (GP), LLC<br>667 MADISON AVENUE 17TH FLOOR<br>NEW YORK, NY US 10021 |               | X         |         |       |
| BAKER JULIAN<br>667 MADISON AVENUE, 17TH FLOOR<br>NEW YORK, NY US 10021                 |               | X         |         |       |
| BAKER FELIX<br>667 MADISON AVENUE, 17TH FLOOR<br>NEW YORK, NY US 10021                  |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| /s/ Julian C. Baker, as Managing Member of Baker Bros. Capital (GP), LLC | 12/21/2007 |
| __Signature of Reporting Person  | Date       |
| /s/ Julian C. Baker  | 12/21/2007 |
| __Signature of Reporting Person  | Date       |
| /s/ Felix J. Baker   | 12/21/2007 |
| __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) 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. Felix J. Baker and Julian C. Baker are directors of the Issuer. Because of certain business and family 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

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shareholders. (Continued in footnote 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 declares beneficial ownership of securities reported herein except to the extent of their pecuniary interest, if any, therein.

(2)

Includes dividends paid in shares of common stock on August 10, 2007 and November 16, 2007 to all holders of Series A preferred stock, as a result of which Baker Bros. Investments, L.P., received 170 and 117 shares of common stock, respectively and which Baker Bros. Investments II received 204 and 141 shares of common stock, respectively.

(3)

Represents shares 73,301 shares owned directly by Baker Bros. Investments II, L.P. and 62,445 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.

(4)

(5) Represents shares purchased by Baker Bros. Investments II, L.P.

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