

Quart Barry D  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Quart Barry D

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
4939 DIRECTORS PLACE  
(Street)

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
06/19/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    |                                | (A) or (D) Price                                                  |                                                                                               |                                                          |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 06/19/2012                           |                                                    | D                              | 43,348<br>(1)                                                     | \$ 32 0                                                                                       | D                                                        |                                   |

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount of Underlying Security |            |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------|
|                                            |                                                        |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V (A) (D)                                                                               | Date Exercisable                                         | Expiration Date                                             | Title                         | Am Nur Sha |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 3.9                                                 | 06/19/2012                           |                                                    | D                              | 105,000                                                                                 | (2) 12/20/2016                                           | Common Stock                                                | 10                            |            |
| Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)      | \$ 15.69                                               | 06/19/2012                           |                                                    | D                              | 10,540                                                                                  | (2) 01/01/2018                                           | Common Stock                                                | 10                            |            |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 15.69                                               | 06/19/2012                           |                                                    | D                              | 189,460                                                                                 | (2) 01/01/2018                                           | Common Stock                                                | 18                            |            |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 10.68                                               | 06/19/2012                           |                                                    | D                              | 150,000                                                                                 | (2) 12/18/2018                                           | Common Stock                                                | 15                            |            |
| Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)      | \$ 14.95                                               | 06/19/2012                           |                                                    | D                              | 9,003                                                                                   | (2) 12/15/2019                                           | Common Stock                                                | 9                             |            |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 14.95                                               | 06/19/2012                           |                                                    | D                              | 90,997                                                                                  | (2) 12/15/2019                                           | Common Stock                                                | 90                            |            |
| Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)      | \$ 23.66                                               | 06/19/2012                           |                                                    | D                              | 4,226                                                                                   | (2) 12/13/2020                                           | Common Stock                                                | 4                             |            |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 23.66                                               | 06/19/2012                           |                                                    | D                              | 145,774                                                                                 | (2) 12/13/2020                                           | Common Stock                                                | 14                            |            |
| Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)      | \$ 18.94                                               | 06/19/2012                           |                                                    | D                              | 5,279                                                                                   | (2) 12/15/2021                                           | Common Stock                                                | 5                             |            |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 18.94                                               | 06/19/2012                           |                                                    | D                              | 149,721                                                                                 | (2) 12/15/2021                                           | Common Stock                                                | 14                            |            |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|                                | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
|                                |               |           |         |       |

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4939 DIRECTORS PLACE                      X                      President and CEO  
SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

## Signatures

/s/ Barry D.                                      06/20/2012  
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         \*\*Signature of                                      Date  
Reporting Person

## 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) Includes 459 shares acquired under the Ardea Biosciences, Inc. ("Ardea") 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan on May 14, 2012 (398 shares) and June 12, 2012 (61 shares).  
  
This option was canceled pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of April 21, 2012, by and among Ardea, Zeneca Inc. and QAM Corp. (the "Merger Agreement"), in exchange for a payment in cash, without interest and less the amount of any required tax withholding, equal to the product of: (i) the excess of \$32.00 (the per share merger consideration pursuant to the Merger Agreement) over the exercise price of the option; and (ii) the number of shares of Ardea common stock underlying the option.
- (2)

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