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

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

obligations may continue. See Instruction

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

	TANG KEV	IN C		Symbol						Issuer		
			Ardea Biosciences, Inc./DE [RDEA]					(Check all applicable)				
	(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of	Earlies	t Tra	ansaction			`	11	
				(Month/D	ay/Year	:)				_X_ Director	_X_ 10%	6 Owner
	4401 EASTO	GATE MALL		01/20/20	011					Officer (give below)	title Other below)	er (specify
		(Street)		4. If Ame	ndment,	Dat	te Original			6. Individual or Jo	oint/Group Filin	ıg(Check
				Filed(Mon	th/Day/Y	(ear))			Applicable Line)	One Reporting Per	·son
	SAN DIEGO	O, CA 92121								_X_ Form filed by ! Person	1 0	
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - No	n-D	erivative Se	curitio	es Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
	1.Title of	2. Transaction Da	te 2A. Dee	med	3.		4. Securitie	s Acqı	iired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
	Security	(Month/Day/Year) Execution	on Date, if		ctio	n(A) or Disp		f (D)	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
	(Instr. 3)		any		Code		(Instr. 3, 4 a	and 5)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
			(Month/	Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)				Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
										Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
								(A)		Reported Transaction(s)		
					Code	V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
	Common Stock	01/20/2011			P		212,000	A	\$ 26	3,307,112	I (1)	By LP (1)
	Common Stock									67,052	I (2)	As Trustee

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerci	isable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	onNumber	Expiration Da	te	Amour	nt of	Derivative	I
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/Y	(ear)	Underl	lying	Security	5
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securit	ties	(Instr. 5)]
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		(
	Security				Acquired						1
					(A) or						1
					Disposed						-
					of (D)						(
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									A		
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	Date		Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
TANG KEVIN C 4401 EASTGATE MALL SAN DIEGO, CA 92121	X	X					
TANG CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC 4401 EASTGATE MALL SAN DIEGO, CA 92121		X					
TANG CAPITAL PARTNERS LP 4401 EASTGATE MALL SAN DIEGO, CA 92121		X					

Signatures

/s/ Kevin C. Tang		01/24/2011
	**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Kevin C. Tang, Manag	ing Member	01/24/2011
	**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Kevin C. Tang, as Managi Partner	01/24/2011	
	**Signature of Reporting Person	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).

The securities are held by Tang Capital Partners, LP. Kevin C. Tang is the sole manager of Tang Capital Management, LLC, which is the general partner of Tang Capital Partners, LP. Mr. Tang disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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- The securities are owned by Kevin C. Tang as custodian for his minor children and as Trustee of the Tang Advisors, LLC Profit Sharing
- (2) Plan, for which Mr. Tang serves as Trustee and in which he is a participant. Mr. Tang disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (3) The securities are owned by Kevin C. Tang's IRA.

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