

Ardea Biosciences, Inc./DE  
Form 8-K  
January 11, 2010

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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549  
FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 11, 2010  
Ardea Biosciences, Inc.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

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| <b>Delaware</b>                                   | <b>1-33734</b>              | <b>94-3200380</b>                    |
| (State or other jurisdiction<br>of incorporation) | (Commission<br>File Number) | (IRS Employer<br>Identification No.) |

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| <b>4939 Directors Place<br/>San Diego, California</b>                     | <b>92121</b> |
| (Address of principal executive offices)                                  | (Zip Code)   |
| Registrant's telephone number, including area code: <b>(858) 652-6500</b> |              |

**Not applicable.**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure**

A copy of presentation materials describing the business of Ardea Biosciences, Inc. (the Company), all or a part of which may be used by the Company in investor or scientific presentations from time to time, is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 hereto. These materials include updates to information previously furnished by the Company regarding the Company's research and development programs, including information relating to expected research and development milestones. The Company does not intend to furnish any update of these presentation materials in the future. The fact that these updated presentation materials are being furnished should not be deemed an admission as to the materiality of any information contained in the materials.

The information in this Item 7.01 and Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits. The following material is filed as an exhibit to this Current Report on Form 8-K:

**Exhibit**

**Number Document Description**

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| 99.1 | Ardea Biosciences, Inc. presentation materials dated as of January 11, 2010, and to be used from time to time thereafter. |
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**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

**ARDEA BIOSCIENCES, INC.**

Date: January 11, 2010

/s/ CHRISTIAN WAAGE  
Christian Waage  
General Counsel

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