

Ardea Biosciences, Inc./DE  
Form 8-K  
March 12, 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): March 12, 2010  
Ardea Biosciences, Inc.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**

**1-33734**

**94-3200380**

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**4939 Directors Place  
San Diego, California**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**92121**

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(858) 652-6500**

**N/A**

(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 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On March 12, 2010, Ardea Biosciences, Inc. ( the Company ) reported its results of operations for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2009. A copy of the press release announcing the Company s results of operation is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information contained in this Current Report shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act ), or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a 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:

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Document Description</b>
99.1	Press Release, dated March 12, 2010.

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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: March 12, 2010

/s/ John W. Beck  
John W. Beck  
Chief Financial Officer

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