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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 4)

ARDEA BIOSCIENCES, INC.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

03969P107

(CUSIP Number)

Leo Kirby 667 Madison Avenue, 17th Floor New York, NY 10021 (212) 339-5633

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

December 19, 2007

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

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| 1 | NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS Julian C. Baker | | | | | | |
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| 2 | | CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (See Instructions) (a) 0 (b) x | | | | | |
| 3 | SEC USE ONLY | | | | | | |
| 4 | SOURCE OF FUNDS WC | SOURCE OF FUNDS (See Instructions) | | | | | |
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| 6 | CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION United States | | | | | | |
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| В | SENEFICIALLY OWNED BY | 8 | SHARED VOTING POWER 4,040,978 | | | | |
| | EACH REPORTING | 9 | SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0 | | | | |
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| 13 | PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 28.6% | | | | | | |
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This Amendment No. 4 to Schedule 13D is being filed by Julian C. Baker and Felix J. Baker (the "Reporting Persons") to supplement the statements on Schedule 13D previously filed by them, as heretofore amended. Except as supplemented herein, such statements, as heretofore amended and supplemented, remain in full force and effect.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

Set forth below is the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock held, including shares that maybe acquired upon conversion of Preferred Stock and shares that maybe acquired upon the exercise of Warrants, as of the date hereof by each of the following, together with the percentage of outstanding shares of Common Stock that such number represents based upon 14,112,351 shares outstanding, according to information received from the Company on December 20, 2007. Such percentage figures are calculated on the basis that the shares of Preferred Stock and Warrants owned by the Reporting Persons are deemed converted into or exercised for shares of Common Stock but other outstanding shares of Preferred Stock and Warrants are not deemed converted or exercised.

| | Number of | Percent of class |
|------------------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| Name | Shares | Outstanding |
| Baker Bros. Investments, L.P. | 92,062 | 0.6% |
| Baker Bros. Investments II, L.P. | 108,179 | 0.8% |
| Baker Biotech Fund I, L.P. | 1,405,977 | 10.0% |
| Baker Brothers Life Sciences, L.P. | 2,296,232 | 16.3% |
| 14159, L.P. | 43,108 | 0.3% |
| Baker Tisch Investments, L.P. | 95,420 | 0.6% |
| | | |
| Total | 4,040,978 | 28.6% |

By virtue of their ownership of entities that have the power to control the investment decisions of the limited partnerships listed in the table above, Julian C. Baker and Felix J. Baker may each be deemed to be beneficial owners of shares owned by such entities and may be deemed to have shared power to vote or direct the vote of and shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of such securities.

The following transactions in Common Stock were effected by the entities noted below during the sixty days preceding the filing of this statement. All transactions were effected in the over-the-counter market directly with a broker-dealer. Stock dividends were received on the Issuer's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock. None of the reporting Persons has effected any other transactions in Common Stock during this period.

| Name | Date | Number of Shares | Transaction | Price/ Share |
|---------------------------------------|------------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Baker Bros. Investments, L.P. | 11/16/2007 | 117 | Stock Dividend | N/A |
| Baker Bros. Investments II, L.P. | 11/16/2007 | 141 | Stock Dividend | N/A |
| Baker Biotech Fund I, L.P. | 11/16/2007 | 1,317 | Stock Dividend | N/A |
| Baker Brothers Life Sciences, L.P. | 11/16/2007 | 1,481 | Stock Dividend | N/A |
| Baker Tisch Investments, L.P. | 11/16/2007 | 188 | Stock Dividend | N/A |
| | 12/19/2007 | 2,059 | Purchase | 13.25 |

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| Baker Bros. Investments II, L.P. | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|---------|----------|-------|
| Baker Biotech Fund I, L.P. | 12/19/2007 | 298,040 | Purchase | 13.25 |
| Baker Brothers Life Sciences, L.P. | 12/19/2007 | 754,519 | Purchase | 13.25 |
| 14159, L.P. | 12/19/2007 | 23,968 | Purchase | 13.25 |
| Baker Tisch Investments, L.P. | 12/19/2007 | 15,754 | Purchase | 13.25 |

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Exhibit 4. Agreement regarding the joint filing of this statement.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

December 21, 2007

By: /s/ Julian C. Baker

Julian C. Baker

By: /s/ Felix J. Baker

Felix J. Baker

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