

Atara Biotherapeutics, Inc.
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FORM 4

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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 *
MCGRATH JOHN

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 611 GATEWAY BOULEVARD, SUITE 900
 (Street)

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Atara Biotherapeutics, Inc. [ATRA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 10/11/2016

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)
 Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) Price | | |
| Common Stock | 10/11/2016 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 2,500 | D | \$ 18.52 | 96,823 | D | |
| | | | | | | (2) | | | |
| Common Stock | 10/12/2016 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 2,500 | D | \$ 16.41 | 94,323 | D | |
| | | | | | | (3) | | | |

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)

| 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MCGRATH JOHN
611 GATEWAY BOULEVARD
SUITE 900
SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Tina Gullotta, Attorney-in-Fact for John F. McGrath, Jr.

10/13/2016

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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) Transaction pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 Plan adopted July 6, 2016.

The price in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. The prices actually received ranged from \$18.30 to \$18.675. The reporting person will provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the SEC staff, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range.

(3) The price in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. The prices actually received ranged from \$16.35 to \$16.70. The reporting person will provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the SEC staff, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range.

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