

Arcudi III Louis J
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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 *
 Arcudi III Louis J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 IDERA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. [IDRA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/13/2012

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 Chief Financial Officer

C/O IDERA
 PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 167
 SIDNEY STREET

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

(City) (State) (Zip)

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)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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)

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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			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 1.157	03/13/2012		A	12,500 <u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>		11/28/2021		Common Stock	12,500 <u>(1)</u>

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Arcudi III Louis J C/O IDERA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 167 SIDNEY STREET CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139			Chief Financial Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Louis J.
Arcudi, III

03/15/2012

**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) On December 5, 2011, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase up to an aggregate of 200,000 shares of common stock. Half of the shares subject to such option are subject to satisfaction of performance vesting criteria. On March 13, 2012, certain performance vesting criteria were met with respect to 12,500 of such shares, of which 3,125 shares vested on March 13, 2012 and the remaining 9,375 of which will vest in three equal annual installments beginning on March 13, 2013.

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