Cara Therapeutics, Inc.
Form 4
May 19, 2015

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Slagel Dean

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ESPERANTE BV,, SIRIUSDREEF 22

(Street)

HOOFDDORP, P7 2132 WT

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
Cara Therapeutics, Inc. [CARA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/15/2015

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

__X__ Director _____ 10% Owner
_____ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	05/15/2015		S[(1)]		73,600	D	$ 10 [(2)]	1,473,549	I	By Esperante BV [(3)]
Common Stock	05/18/2015		S[(1)]		82,945	D	$ 10.04 [(4)]	1,390,604	I	By Esperante BV [(3)]
Common Stock	05/19/2015		S[(1)]		32,266	D	$ 10 [(5)]	1,358,338	I	By Esperante BV [(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. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				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
Slagel Dean C/O ESPERANTE BV, SIRIUSDREEF 22 HOOFDDORP, P7 2132 WT	X			

Signatures

/s/Darren DeStefano, Attorney-in-Fact	05/19/2015
**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) These shares were sold by Esperante BV (See Footnote (3) herein).

(2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from $10.00 - $10.08, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnote (2) to this Form 4.

(3) These shares are owned by Esperante BV. The Reporting Person is a director of the Issuer and the Managing Director of Esperante BV and, as such, holds voting and/or dispositive power of the shares held by Esperante BV. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

(4) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from $10.00 - $10.16, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnote (4) to this Form 4.

(5) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from $10.00 - $10.04, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnote (5) to this Form 4.

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