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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Bielasz Jennifer Kathleen

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

ARENA PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ARNA]

(Check all applicable)

Sr.Dir. of Acct. & Cont. (PAO)

10% Owner

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

C/O ARENA 03/19/2012

PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 6166 NANCY RIDGE DRIVE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Director

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Reported

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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of of Date Expiration Securities (Month/Date Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.81	03/19/2012		A	40,000	<u>(1)</u>	03/19/2022	Common Stock	40,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Bielasz Jennifer Kathleen C/O ARENA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 6166 NANCY RIDGE DRIVE SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

Sr.Dir. of Acct. & Cont. (PAO)

Signatures

Adam S. Chinnock, as

Attorney-in-Fact 03/19/2012

**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) The options vest in four equal annual installments beginning on March 19, 2013, and are exercisable once vested.

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