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## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> Menzaghi Frederique Ph.D.			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Cara Therapeutics, Inc. [ CARA ]		tionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director	n(s) to Issuer 10% Owner		
·				x	Officer (give title	Other (specify		
		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)		below)	below)		
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4 STAMFORD PLAZA, 107 ELM ST, 9TH FLOOR		I ST, 9TH FLOOR						
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable				
(Street)				Line)				
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					Form filed by More than Person	One Reporting		
(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. Transa Code ( 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)
Common Stock	10/04/2019		<b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		4,000	D	\$19.19 <sup>(2)</sup>	75,886	D	

#### 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. Transa Code ( 8)		of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

### Explanation of Responses:

1. This sale was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on November 19, 2018.

2. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$19.05 to \$19.36, 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 range set forth in this footnote to this Form 4.

#### **Remarks:**

<u>/s/Darren DeStefano, Attorney-</u> <u>in-Fact</u> <u>10/08/2019</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* 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).

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