IDERA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * AGRAWAL SUDHIR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Symbol

IDERA PHARMACEUTICALS,

(Check all applicable)

Chairman, CEO & President

INC. [IDRA]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

_X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title below)

03/13/2012

C/O IDERA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 167

(Street)

SIDNEY STREET

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

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 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

Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) 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. Transac Code (Instr. 8	Se Se Or Or (D (In	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				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	3	1,250 (1)		<u>(1)</u>	11/28/2021	Common Stock	31,250 (1)
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 1.16	03/13/2012		A	2	2,188 (2)		<u>(2)</u>	11/28/2021	Common Stock	2,188 (<u>2)</u>

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Ketationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				

AGRAWAL SUDHIR C/O IDERA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 167 SIDNEY STREET CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

X Chairman, CEO & President

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Signatures

Reporting Person

/s/ Sudhir Agrawal 03/15/2012 **Signature of 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).
- On December 5, 2011, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase up to an aggregate of 500,000 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 31,250 of such shares, of which 7,812 shares vested on March 13, 2012 and the remaining 23,438 of which will vest in three equal annual installments beginning on March 13, 2013.
- On January 3, 2012, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase up to an aggregate of 35,000 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 2,188 of such shares, of which 547 shares vested on March 13, 2012 and the remaining 1,641 of which will vest in three equal annual installments beginning on March 13, 2013.

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