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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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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Soffer Gad

(Last)

(City)

(Zip)

(Middle)

611 GATEWAY **BOULEVARD. SUITE 900**

(Street)

(State)

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Atara Biotherapeutics, Inc. [ATRA]

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

02/15/2018

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

EVP & Chief Strategy Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

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

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1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	3.	4. Securities Acquired		5. Amount of 6. Ownersh		p 7. Nature of			
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)			Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect		
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
							Reported			
					(A)		Transaction(s)			
					or		(Instr. 3 and 4)			
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(monte dire i)			
Common Stock	02/15/2018		M	2,764	A	\$ 0 (1)	268,344	D		
Common Stock	02/15/2018		F(2)	1,456	D	\$ 47.05	266,888	D		

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities		8. Pr Deriv Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	02/15/2018		M	2,764	<u>(4)</u>	(5)	Common Stock	2,764	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Soffer Gad 611 GATEWAY BOULEVARD SUITE 900 SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

EVP & Chief Strategy Officer

Signatures

/s/ David Tucker, Attorney-in-Fact for Gad Soffer 02/20/2018

**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) Shares issued upon settlement of vested restricted stock units ("RSUs").
- (2) Shares withheld to cover tax obligation from settlement of vested restricted stock units.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock or a cash settlement.
- (4) Fully vested.
- (5) The earlier of (i) January 10, 2021 or (ii) the recipient's termination date.

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