Cara Therapeutics, Inc. Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Menzaghi Frederique Ph.D. Issuer Symbol Cara Therapeutics, Inc. [CARA] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify C/O CARA THERAPEUTICS. 01/04/2016 below) below) INC., 1 PARROTT DRIVE VP-Research & Development (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SHELTON, CT 06484 Person

| (City) | (State) (A | Table Table | e I - Non-D | erivative Secu | irities Acc | quired, Disposed o | of, or Beneficial | ly Owned |
|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| 1.Title of | 2. Transaction Date | 2A. Deemed | 3. | 4. Securities | Acquired | 5. Amount of | 6. Ownership | 7. Nature of |
| Security | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transaction(A) or Disposed of | | | Securities | Form: Direct | Indirect |
| (Instr. 3) | | any | Code | (D) | | Beneficially | (D) or | Beneficial |
| | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | (Instr. 3, 4 an | nd 5) | Owned | Indirect (I) | Ownership |
| | | | | | | Following | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | (A) | | Reported | | |
| | | | | (A) or | | Transaction(s) | | |
| | | | Code V | Amount (D | | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| C | | | | | \$ | | | |
| Common Stock | 01/04/2016 | | S <u>(1)</u> | 6,000 D | 16.8 (2) | 135,000 | D | |
| | | | | | (2) | | | |

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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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | cisable and | 7. Title | e and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|----------|-------------|--------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transactio | orNumber | Expiration D | ate | Amou | nt of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Under | lying | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Securi | ties | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | | | (Instr. | 3 and 4) | | Own |
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| | | | | ~ | | | | | of | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Menzaghi Frederique Ph.D. C/O CARA THERAPEUTICS, INC. 1 PARROTT DRIVE SHELTON, CT 06484

VP-Research & Development

Signatures

/s/Darren DeStefano, Attorney-in-Fact

01/05/2016

**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) This sale was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on June 1, 2015.

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$16.66

- \$16.98, 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 footnote (2) to this Form 4.

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