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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549							N OMB Number:	3235-0287			
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1(b).											
(Print or Type	Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> CROSS HERB			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AFFYMAX INC [AFFY]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer					
(Last)	(First) (Middle)	3. Date c	of Earliest T	ransaction		(Check all applicable)				
C/O AFFY MIRANDA	MAX, INC., 400 A AVE.		(Month/1 03/04/2	Day/Year) 2011			Director X Officer (giv below) Chiet		% Owner her (specify cer		
(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			1	 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 							
PALO ALT	ГО, CA 94304						Person	More than One K	eporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-J	Derivative	Securities A	Acquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		d Date, if	3. Transactic Code	4. Securit mAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	ies (A) or of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect		
Reminder Par	port on a separate line	e for each cla	ss of sec	urities bene	ficially ow	ned 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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orDerivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Y	ear) (Instr. 8)	Acquired (A or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				(
			Code V	(A) (D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.23	03/04/2011	А	50,000	<u>(1)</u>	03/03/2021	Common stock	50,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships	
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CROSS HERB C/O AFFYMAX, INC. 4001 MIRANDA AVE. PALO ALTO, CA 94304			Chief Financial Officer	
Signatures				
/s/ Grace U. Shin, Attorney-in-fact		03/04/2011		
**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 shares vest and become exercisable in a series of forty-eight (48) successive equal monthly installments over the four (4) year period measured from March 4, 2011.

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