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(Print or Type	Responses)										
Walker Karin L S				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AFFYMAX INC [AFFY]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last)	(First) (.	Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				(Check all applicable)				
C/O AFFY MIRANDA	(Month/Day/Year) 10/02/2012				Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) VP, Finance & CAO						
				. If Amendment, Date Original iled(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date		ed Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit nAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	ies (A) or of (D) 4 and 5) (A) or	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		
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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	8
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orDerivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	С
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	S

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day	/Year) ((Instr. 8)	or Dispos (D)	(Instr. 3, 4,				
			C	Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.27	10/02/2012		А	60,000		<u>(1)</u>	10/01/2022	Common Stock	60,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Walker Karin L C/O AFFYMAX, INC. 4001 MIRANDA AVENUE PALO ALTO, CA 94304			VP, Finance & CAO					
Signatures								
/s/ Grace Shin, Attorney-in-fact	10/	02/2012						

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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25% of the Option Shares shall vest on the first anniversary of the Vesting Commencement Date, or October 1, 2013. Thereafter, the (1) remaining balance of the Option Shares shall vest in a series of 36 equal consecutive monthly installments until all of the Option Shares

becomes fully-vested and exercisable.

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