#### WYSZOMIERSKI JACK L

Form 4 June 20, 2011

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* WYSZOMIERSKI JACK L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Middle)

ATHERSYS, INC / NEW [ATHX]

(Check all applicable)

(First)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 06/16/2011

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X\_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

below)

3201 CARNEGIE AVENUE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

CLEVELAND, OH 44115

(State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following (Instr. 4)

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

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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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 Conversion Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

5. Number of 4. **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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	Derivative Security				or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)						
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Director stock option (right to purchase)	\$ 2.69	06/16/2011	A		15,000		<u>(1)</u>	06/16/2021	Common Stock	15,000	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
WYSZOMIERSKI JACK L 3201 CARNEGIE AVENUE	X						
CLEVELAND, OH 44115							

# **Signatures**

/s/ Laura K. Campbell, as attorney-in-fact for Jack L. Wyszomierski

06/20/2011

\*\*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 option vests over one year in quarterly increments.

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