## Edgar Filing: ATHERSYS, INC / NEW - Form 4

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| Form 4                                                                                  | 0 2012                                                            |                                                                            |                                                                                     |             |                             |                                                                                                                                                          |              |                                                                                                       |                                                              |                                                                   |  |
| FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION                                 |                                                                   |                                                                            |                                                                                     |             |                             |                                                                                                                                                          |              |                                                                                                       | OMB APPROVAL<br>OMB 3235-0287                                |                                                                   |  |
| Check this box<br>if no longer<br>subject to<br>Section 16.<br>SECURITIES<br>SECURITIES |                                                                   |                                                                            |                                                                                     |             |                             |                                                                                                                                                          |              | Number:<br>Expires:<br>Estimated a<br>burden hour<br>response                                         |                                                              |                                                                   |  |
| (Print or Type                                                                          | Responses)                                                        |                                                                            |                                                                                     |             |                             |                                                                                                                                                          |              |                                                                                                       |                                                              |                                                                   |  |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u><br>Deans Robert J                      |                                                                   |                                                                            | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading<br>Symbol<br>ATHERSYS, INC / NEW [ATHX] |             |                             |                                                                                                                                                          |              | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer                                                      |                                                              |                                                                   |  |
| (Last)<br>3201 CARN                                                                     | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction<br>(Month/Day/Year)<br>12/18/2013 |                                                                            |                                                                                     |             |                             | (Check all applicable)<br><u></u> Director <u></u> 10% Owner<br><u></u> Officer (give title <u></u> Other (specify<br>below)<br>Executive Vice President |              |                                                                                                       |                                                              |                                                                   |  |
|                                                                                         | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)              |                                                                            |                                                                                     |             |                             | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check<br>Applicable Line)<br>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person                                                  |              |                                                                                                       |                                                              |                                                                   |  |
| CLEVELA                                                                                 | ND, OH 44115                                                      |                                                                            |                                                                                     |             |                             |                                                                                                                                                          |              | Form filed by M<br>Person                                                                             |                                                              |                                                                   |  |
| (City)                                                                                  | (State)                                                           | (Zip)                                                                      | Tab                                                                                 | le I - Non- | Derivative                  | Secur                                                                                                                                                    | ities Acqu   | iired, Disposed of,                                                                                   | or Beneficial                                                | ly Owned                                                          |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                                                    | 2. Transaction Dat<br>(Month/Day/Year)                            | Transaction Date 2A. Deem<br>Ionth/Day/Year) Execution<br>any<br>(Month/Da |                                                                                     | Code        | oror Dispos<br>(Instr. 3, 4 | ed of (<br>and 5                                                                                                                                         | (D)          | <ul> <li>5. Amount of<br/>Securities<br/>Beneficially<br/>Owned<br/>Following<br/>Reported</li> </ul> | 6.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
| G                                                                                       |                                                                   |                                                                            |                                                                                     | Code V      |                             | (A)<br>or<br>(D)                                                                                                                                         | Price        | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                                                                    | (Instr. 4)                                                   |                                                                   |  |
| Common<br>Stock                                                                         | 12/18/2013                                                        |                                                                            |                                                                                     | F           | 15,382<br>(1)               | D                                                                                                                                                        | \$ 2.06      | 467,898                                                                                               | D                                                            |                                                                   |  |
| Common<br>Stock                                                                         | 12/18/2013                                                        |                                                                            |                                                                                     | S           | 5,080<br>(2)                | D                                                                                                                                                        | \$<br>2.0355 | 462,818 <u>(4)</u>                                                                                    | 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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactio<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5.<br>orNumber<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) |                     | ate                | Amou<br>Unde<br>Secur | le and<br>unt of<br>rlying<br>rities<br>. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secu<br>Bene<br>Owne<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code V                                 | (A) (D)                                                                                                                 | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title                 | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares             |                                                     |                                                                            |

## **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                | Relationships |           |                          |       |  |  |  |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
|                                                               | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                  | Other |  |  |  |
| Deans Robert J<br>3201 CARNEGIE AVENUE<br>CLEVELAND, OH 44115 |               |           | Executive Vice President |       |  |  |  |
| Signatures                                                    |               |           |                          |       |  |  |  |

/s/ Laura K. Campbell, as attorney-in-fact for Robert J. Deans

<u>\*\*</u>Signature of Reporting Person

## **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 withheld from the quarterly vesting of a June 2013 restricted stock unit award to satisfy the minimum tax withholding obligation.

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Date

- (2) Shares sold pursuant to a predefined Rule 10b5-1 trading plan solely to satisfy the tax obligation on the quarterly vesting of a June 2013 restricted stock unit award.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$2.025(3) to \$2.08, inclusive, in accordance with a previously established Rule 10b5-1 predefined trading plan enacted solely to satisfy the tax obligation.
- (4) Securities beneficially owned are comprised of: (1) 53,518 shares of common stock owned and (2) 409,300 restricted stock units awarded on June 20, 2013 related to the termination of 2005 incentive agreements that will vest ratably on a quarterly basis through June 18, 2016.

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