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(Print or Type R	Responses)									
			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EXELIXIS INC [EXEL]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle)			of Earliest Tra	-			(Check all applicable)			
	XIS, INC., 210 E.	,	n/Day/Year)	uisaction			Director X Officer (give below) E		6 Owner er (specify	
	(Street)	4. If A	mendment, Dat	e Original			6. Individual or Jo	oint/Group Fili	ng(Check	
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(City)	(State) (A	Zip) Ta	able I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)2A. Deemed Execution Date, any (Month/Day/Year)		Code	TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)				6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	02/15/2012		M <u>(1)</u>	1,953	A	\$0	80,269	D		
Common Stock	02/15/2012		F	6,099 (2)	D	\$0	74,170	D		
Common Stock							3,806	I	By 401(K)	
Common Stock							5,440	I	By Family Member	

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	ve Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)				8. Pr Deriv Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	02/15/2012		М	1,953	(5)	(5)	Common Stock	1,953	(

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
KARBE FRANK C/O EXELIXIS, INC. 210 E. GRAND AVE. SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080			EVP and CFO				
Signatures							
/s/ James B. Bucher, Attorney in Fact	02/17/2	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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Represents the conversion upon vesting of restricted stock units into common stock (the "2012 Converted Common Stock"). Such(1) restricted stock units were granted on December 9, 2009 and were previously reported in Table II on a From 4 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 11, 2009.

(2) On December 9, 2009, the reporting person was granted 31,250 restricted stock units, of which 1/4th of the shares subject to the restricted stock units vested on February 15, 2011 and 1/16th of the shares subject to the restricted stock units vested on each of May 15, 2011, August 15, 2011 and November 15, 2011. The common stock into which such vested restricted stock units converted on February 15, 2011, May 15, 2011, August 15, 2011 and November 15, 2011 (together with the 2012 Converted Common Stock, the "Converted")

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Common Stock") was previously reported in Table I on Form 4s filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 15, 2011, May 17, 2011, August 17, 2011 and November 17, 2011, respectively. The reporting person is reporting the withholding by Exelixis, Inc. of 6,099 shares of common stock to satisfy the reporting person's tax withholding obligations in connection with the delivery of the Converted Common Stock to the reporting person on February 15, 2012.

- (3) Represents 3,806 shares of Exelixis, Inc. common stock under the Exelixis, Inc. 401(k) Plan, pursuant to a plan statement dated as of February 15, 2012.
- (4) Each restricted stock unit is the economic equivalent of one share of Exelixis, Inc. common stock.

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(5) 15, 2012 is reported in Table I on this Form 4. The remaining unvested restricted stock units will continue to vest as to 1/16th so the original number of shares subject to the restricted stock units on each succeeding May 15, August 15, November 15 and February 15 until fully vested.

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