

KERYX BIOPHARMACEUTICALS INC
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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Tarnok Michael P.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 KERYX
 BIOPHARMACEUTICALS INC
 [KERX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 06/20/2012

C/O KERYX
 BIOPHARMACEUTICALS,
 INC., 750 LEXINGTON AVENUE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person
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NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	06/20/2012		A ⁽¹⁾		15,000	A	\$ 0
					293,600	⁽²⁾	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 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 1.8	06/20/2012		A	25,000	06/20/2013 ⁽³⁾ 06/20/2022	Common Stock 25,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Tarnok Michael P.
C/O KERYX BIOPHARMACEUTICALS, INC.
750 LEXINGTON AVENUE
NEW YORK, NY 10022

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Signatures

/s/ James F. Oliviero, III,
Attorney-in-Fact

06/22/2012

**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).

(1) One-third of the shares of common stock vest on each of: 06/20/2013; 06/20/2014; and 06/20/2015

(2) Of the 293,600 shares, 30,000 are shares of restricted stock.

(3) The options will vest according to the following schedule: one-third on each of 6/20/13, 6/20/14, and 6/20/15.

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