

KARBE FRANK  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**KARBE FRANK**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O EXELIXIS, INC, 210 E.  
GRAND AVE.

(Street)

SOUTH SAN  
FRANCISCO, CA 94080

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**EXELIXIS INC [EXEL]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
11/15/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	11/15/2011		M <sup>(1)</sup>	1,953 A \$ 0	78,316 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock					3,544	I	By 401(k) Plan <sup>(3)</sup>

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)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	11/15/2011		M	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  
Date: 11/17/2011

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) Represents the conversion upon vesting of restricted stock units into common stock. Such restricted stock units were granted on December 9, 2009 and were previously reported in Table II on a Form 4 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 11, 2009.
  - (2) Includes 30,644 shares of common stock acquired pursuant to the Exelixis, Inc. 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
  - (3) Represents 3,544 shares of Exelixis, Inc. common stock under the Exelixis, Inc. 401(k) Plan, pursuant to a plan statement dated as of November 15, 2011.
  - (4) Each restricted stock unit is the economic equivalent of one share of Exelixis, Inc. common stock.
- On December 9, 2009, the reporting person was granted 31,250 restricted stock units, of which 1/16th of the shares subject to the restricted stock units vested on November 15, 2011. The common stock into which such vested restricted stock units converted on November 15, 2011 is reported in Table I on this Form 4. The remaining unvested restricted stock units will continue to vest as to 1/16th of the original number of shares subject to the restricted stock units on each succeeding February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15 until fully vested.

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