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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <b>Kola Ismail</b> <div>(Last) (First) (Middle)</div> <b>3201 CARNEGIE AVENUE</b> <div>(Street)</div> <b>CLEVELAND, OH 44115-2634</b> <div>(City) (State) (Zip)</div>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>ATHERSYS, INC / NEW [ ATHX ]</b>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)								
3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) <b>11/19/2021</b>			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person								
<b>Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned</b>														
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
Common Stock		11/19/2021		P	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price						
						85000	A	\$0.9612	100000	D				
<b>Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)</b>														
1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. 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		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

Explanation of Responses:

(1) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased on the open market in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$0.95 to \$0.97. Full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price is available upon request by the Commission staff, Athersys, Inc. or a security holder of Athersys, Inc.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Kola Ismail 3201 CARNEGIE AVENUE CLEVELAND, OH 44115-2634	X			

Signatures

/s/ Katherine M. Serevitch, as attorney-in-fact for Ismail Kola

11/19/2021

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* 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).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Ivor Macleod, Katherine Serevitch, Barb Cameron and David Towslee, and each of them, as the true and lawful attorney or attorneys-in-fact, with full power of substitution and revocation, for the undersigned and in the name, place and stead of the undersigned, in any and all capacities, to execute, on behalf of the undersigned, any and all statements or reports under Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, with respect to the beneficial ownership of shares of common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, or other securities of Athersys, Inc., including, without limitation, all initial statements of beneficial ownership on Form 3, all statements of changes in beneficial ownership on Form 4, all annual statements of beneficial ownership on Form 5 and all successor or similar forms, to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, to execute any and all amendments or supplements to any such statements or reports, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting to said attorney or attorneys-in-fact, and each of them, full power and authority to do so and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises (including, without limitation, completing, executing and delivering a Form ID to apply for electronic filing codes), as fully and to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do in person, and hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney or attorneys-in-fact, or any of them, or their substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, and each of them, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming any of the responsibilities of the undersigned to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or any other legal requirement. This Power of Attorney shall remain in effect until revoked in writing by the undersigned.

/s/ Ismail Kola

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Name: Ismail Kola  
Date: November 19, 2021