

PETRARCA STEPHEN M
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FORM 4

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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 *
 PETRARCA STEPHEN M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ASTRO MED INC /NEW/ [ALOT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O ASTRO-MED, INC., 600 EAST GREENWICH AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/29/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Vice President

(Street)
 WEST WARWICK, RI 02893

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

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

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. D
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Purchase)	\$ 8.35	03/29/2012	A	3,375					(1)	03/29/2022	Common Stock	3,375
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	03/29/2012	A	3,375					(3)	(3)	Common Stock	3,375

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PETRARCA STEPHEN M C/O ASTRO-MED, INC. 600 EAST GREENWICH AVENUE WEST WARWICK, RI 02893			Vice President	

Signatures

Margaret D. Farrell (Attorney-in-Fact for Stephen M. Petrarca) 04/02/2012

**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) This option becomes exercisable in four equal annual installments commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of ALOT common stock.
- (3) The restricted stock units vest in two equal annual installments on the first and second anniversary of the grant date subject to the achievement of certain specified goals relating to the 2013 fiscal year net sales and operating income.

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