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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Varian John

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

XOMA LTD /DE/ [XOMA]

(First) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 07/21/2010

C/O XOMA LTD., 2910 SEVENTH STREET

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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BERKELEY, CA 94710

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Middle)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

(Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amour **Underlying Securit** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. | 8) | Acquired or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | ed of | | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|------------|------------------|---------|----|---|-------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amo or Num of Sh |
| Non-Qualified Share Option (right to buy) | \$ 0.349 | 07/21/2010 | | A | | 75,000 | | <u>(1)</u> | 07/21/2020 | Common Shares | 75,0 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Keiationships | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | | |

Varian John C/O XOMA LTD. 2910 SEVENTH STREET BERKELEY, CA 94710



Signatures

By: Christopher J. Margolin For: John

Varian 07/22/2010

**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) Exercisable with respect to 1/12th of options in monthly increments beginning 8/21/2010 and ending 7/21/2011.

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