**Table 1. Makerbot’s Timeline**

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| **No.** | **Date** | **Event** |  |
| **1.** | 23.08.11 | Initial investment | Markerbot announced $10 million of venture capital investment from the Foundry Group. |
| **2.** | 19.09.12 | Replicator 2 launch | Makerbot was ambivalent regarding its open strategy. |
| **3.** | 20.09.12 | Uncertainty of openness | Makerbot was yet to decide whether Replicator 2 should be open or closed. |
| **4.** | 24.09.12 | Closed hardware | Makerbot announced that Replicator 2 will be closed and subject to a proprietary hardware license. |
| **5** | 12.03.13 | Patent of products | Makerbot was granted patent license D677,723 S for Replicator 2, 2X; the patent application filed on Sep. 18.2012. |
| **6.** | 19.06.13 | Merger agreement | Stratasys announced merger agreement with Makerbot in an agreement worth $403 million in stock. |
| **7.** | 15.08.13 | Merger completion | Completion of merger between Stratasys and Makerbot. |
| **8.** | 05.11.13 | Patent infringement lawsuit | Stratasys lawsuit against Afinia for IP infringement, seeking injunctive relief and damages. |