

Bowen Robert
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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 *
 Bowen Robert

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ABIOMED INC [ABMD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ABIOMED, INC, 22 CHERRY HILL DR

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 09/28/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Chief Financial Officer

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

DANVERS, MA 01923

(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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |
| Common Stock, \$.01 par value | 09/28/2012 | | A | | 807 ⁽³⁾ | A | \$ 17.8415 |
| | | | | | 62,141 | D | |

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. (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---------------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 15.92 | | | | | 12/22/2009 ⁽²⁾ | 12/22/2018 | Common Stock | 100,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 5.86 | | | | | 05/28/2010 ⁽²⁾ | 05/28/2019 | Common Stock | 60,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 5.86 | | | | | 03/31/2010 ⁽²⁾ | 05/28/2019 | Common Stock | 30,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 10.03 | | | | | 06/03/2011 ⁽²⁾ | 06/03/2020 | Common Stock | 15,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 22.44 | | | | | 05/22/2013 ⁽²⁾ | 05/22/2022 | Common Stock | 20,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Bowen Robert C/O ABIOMED, INC 22 CHERRY HILL DR DANVERS, MA 01923 | | | Chief Financial Officer | |

Signatures

/s/ Ian W. McLeod (by power of attorney)

10/02/2012

__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) Grant to reporting person of option to buy the number of shares of common stock set forth on Table II, Column 7, under the Abiomed, Inc. 2008 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (2) These options become exercisable in annual 25% increments, commencing on the date set forth in Table II, Column 6.
- (3) These shares of common stock were acquired by the Reporting Person through participation in the ABIOMED, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan, qualified under Section 423 of the Internal Revenue Code.

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