ABIOMED INC Form 4 April 03, 2006

FORM 4

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

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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 * O CONNELL DESMOND JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

ABIOMED INC [ABMD] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director

10% Owner

C/O ABIOMED, INC., 22 CHERRY

HILL DRIVE

(City)

03/31/2006

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

below)

Other (specify

Officer (give title

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

DANVERS, MA 01923

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) any (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

or

Price

6. Ownership 7. Nature of 5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) Amount (D)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common

Stock, \$.01 03/31/2006 par value

Α 1.162 A

50,481

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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. De Se (In
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 16.75					07/01/2001(2)	07/01/2010	Common Stock	25,000	
Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 19.69					08/09/2001(3)	08/09/2010	Common Stock	5,000	
Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 18.4					08/08/2002(3)	08/08/2011	Common Stock	5,000	
Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 4.71					08/06/2003(3)	05/21/2013	Common Stock	5,000	
Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 5.15					08/13/2004(3)	08/13/2013	Common Stock	5,000	
Stock Option (right to buy) (4)	\$ 10.41					08/11/2005(3)	08/11/2014	Common Stock	8,000	
Stock Option (right to buy) (4)	\$ 10.06					08/09/2006(3)	08/09/2015	Common Stock	8,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

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O CONNELL DESMOND JR C/O ABIOMED, INC. 22 CHERRY HILL DRIVE DANVERS, MA 01923

X

Signatures

/s/ Charles B. Haaser (attorney-in-fact)

04/03/2006

**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 in Table II, Column 7, under ABIOMED, Inc. 1989 Non-Qualified Stock Option Plan for Non-Employee Directors.
- (2) This option becomes exercisable in annual 20% increments commencing on the date set forth in Table II, Column 6.
- (3) This option becomes exercisable in full on the date set forth in Table II, Column6.
- (4) Grant to reporting person of option to buy the number of shares of Common Stock set forth in Table II, Column 7, under ABIOMED, Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.

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