

Bowen Robert
Form 4
May 24, 2012

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Bowen Robert

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ABIOMED, INC, 22 CHERRY
HILL DR

(Street)

DANVERS, MA 01923

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

ABIOMED INC [ABMD]

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

05/22/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

Chief Financial Officer

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

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D)	Price	
Common Stock, \$.01 par value	05/22/2012		A		5,000 (4)	D \$ 0	71,605 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. 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)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number 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 ⁽³⁾	05/28/2019	Common Stock	30,000
Stock Option (right to buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 10.03							06/03/2011 ⁽²⁾	06/03/2020	Common Stock	30,000
Stock Option (right to buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 22.44	05/22/2012		A		20,000		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) 05/24/2022

____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 options became exercisable in full on March 31, 2010.

Represents the grant of a share award for restricted stock units to which one third of the shares will be issued to the reporting person on each of May 22, 2013, May 22, 2014, and May 22, 2015, so long as he continues to be employed by the issuer on the vesting dates. In addition, additional performance share awards of up to 9,000 restricted stock units was granted to this reporting person on May 22, 2012 with double trigger vesting pursuant to fiscal 2013 financial performance will determine whether 0%, 33%, 67% or 100% of the underlying restricted stock units are eligible for vesting at which point half of the units eligible for vesting will vest on May 22, 2014 and the other half of the units eligible for vesting will vest on May 22, 2015.

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