BOLT WILLIAM J

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **BOLT WILLIAM J** Issuer Symbol ABIOMED INC [ABMD] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title) _ Other (specify C/O ABIOMED, INC., 22 CHERRY 05/24/2012 below) HILL DRIVE SVP, QA and Regulatory Affairs (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

DANVERS, MA 01923

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative	Secui	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Transactio	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
(iisti. <i>3)</i>		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		(A) or		Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common	05/04/0010		Code V	Amount	(D)	Price \$	00.545	.	
Stock, \$.01 par value	05/24/2012		F(6)	967	D	21.602 (7)	82,545	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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year	o. 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 or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (right to buy) (2)	\$ 15.563					06/28/2004(1)	06/28/2010	Common Stock	40,000	
Stock Option (right to buy) (3)	\$ 24.12					06/22/2005(1)	06/22/2011	Common Stock	25,000	
Stock Option (right to buy) (3)	\$ 12.3					07/01/2005(4)	07/01/2014	Common Stock	18,000	
Stock Option (right to buy) (3)	\$ 9.36					06/08/2006(4)	06/08/2015	Common Stock	30,000	
Stock Option (right to buy) (3)	\$ 13.57					06/01/2007(4)	06/01/2016	Common Stock	20,000	
Stock Option (right to buy) (3)	\$ 11.27					05/30/2008(4)	05/30/2017	Common Stock	8,000	
Stock Option (right to buy) (5)	\$ 5.86					05/28/2010(4)	05/28/2019	Common Stock	32,000	
Stock Option (right to buy) (5)	\$ 5.86					03/31/2010	05/28/2019	Common Stock	18,000	
	\$ 13.8					05/23/2009(4)	05/23/2018		9,666	

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Stock option (right to buy) (3)				Common Stock	
Stock Option (right to buy) (5)	\$ 10.03	06/03/2011(4)	06/03/2020	Common Stock	30,000
Stock Option (right to buy) (5)	\$ 22.44	05/22/2013	05/22/2022	Common Stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BOLT WILLIAM J C/O ABIOMED, INC. 22 CHERRY HILL DRIVE DANVERS, MA 01923

SVP, QA and Regulatory Affairs

Signatures

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

05/25/2012

**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) Options were fully exercisable on the date shown.
- (2) Grant to reporting person of this option to buy the number of Common Stock set forth in Table II, Column 7, under the ABIOMED, Inc. 1998 Equity Incentive Plan.
- (3) Grant to reporting person of this option to buy the number of Common Stock set forth in Table II, Column 7, under the ABIOMED, Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (4) These options become exercisable in annual 25% increments, commencing on the date shown in Table II, Column 6.
- (5) Grant to reporting person of this option to buy the number of Common Stock set forth in Table II, Column 7, under the ABIOMED, Inc. 2008 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (6) Sale of common stock pursuant to reporting owner's 10(b)5-1 plan.
- This price represents the weighted average sale price of multiple transactions on the reported date at prices that ranged between \$21.6000 (7) and \$21.6300. Detailed information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price will be provided upon request by the Commission staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer.

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