

Bowen Robert  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/06/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

C/O ABIOMED, INC, 22 CHERRY HILL DR

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock, \$.01 par value	08/06/2012		M		15,000	A	\$ 10.03
Common Stock, \$.01 par value	08/06/2012		S <sup>(3)</sup>		15,000	D	23.384
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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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 15.92					12/22/2009 <sup>(2)</sup>	12/22/2018	Common Stock	100,000
Stock Option (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 5.86					05/28/2010 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/28/2019	Common Stock	60,000
Stock Option (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 5.86					03/31/2010 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/28/2019	Common Stock	30,000
Stock Option (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 10.03	08/06/2012		M	15,000	06/03/2011 <sup>(2)</sup>	06/03/2020	Common Stock	15,000
Stock Option (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 22.44					05/22/2013 <sup>(2)</sup>	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)

08/08/2012

\_\_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) 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 \$22.7400 and \$23.4800. 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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