

ABBOTT LABORATORIES  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
CAPEK JOHN M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD

(Street)

ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]

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

03/05/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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**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 shares without par value	03/05/2012		M		100,000	A	\$ 41.92 315,551
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012		S		3,000	D	\$ 57.31 312,551
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012		S		400	D	\$ 57.315 312,151

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Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	6,055	D	\$ 57.32	306,096	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	200	D	\$ 57.325	305,896	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	6,900	D	\$ 57.33	298,996	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	1,300	D	\$ 57.335	297,696	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	4,200	D	\$ 57.34	293,496	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	500	D	\$ 57.345	292,996	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	6,800	D	\$ 57.35	286,196	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	1,600	D	\$ 57.355	284,596	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	100	D	\$ 57.359	284,496	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	8,800	D	\$ 57.36	275,696	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	1,000	D	\$ 57.365	274,696	D
	03/05/2012	S	100	D		274,596	D

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Common shares without par value					\$ 57.3675		
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	100	D	\$ 57.369	274,496	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	12,700	D	\$ 57.37	261,796	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	2,700	D	\$ 57.375	259,096	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	10,327	D	\$ 57.38	248,769	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	1,773	D	\$ 57.385	246,996	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	200	D	\$ 57.3875	246,796	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	16,005	D	\$ 57.39	230,791	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	2,400	D	\$ 57.395	228,391	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	12,840	D	\$ 57.4	215,551	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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 41.92	03/05/2012		M	100,000	04/21/2009	04/20/2016	Common shares	100,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CAPEK JOHN M 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400			Executive Vice President	

## Signatures

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for John M. Capek  
03/07/2012

\_\_\_\_\_  
\*\*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) Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program in a transaction exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3.

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