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FORM 4

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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 *
 Howley Michael G

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)
 C/O ABIOMED, INC., 22 CHERRY HILL DRIVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/23/2013

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP, Global Sales & Marketing

DANVERS, MA 01923

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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	(D)	Price
Common Stock, \$.01 par value	05/23/2013		S ⁽⁴⁾		762	D	\$ 21.6005 <u>(5)</u>
					75,360	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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 5.23					03/05/2009 ⁽²⁾ 03/05/2019	Common Stock	7,984
Stock Option (right to buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 5.86					05/28/2010 ⁽²⁾ 05/28/2019	Common Stock	25,000
Stock Option (right to buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 5.86					03/31/2010 ⁽³⁾ 05/28/2019	Common Stock	15,000
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					05/22/2013 ⁽²⁾ 05/22/2022	Common Stock	25,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 23.15					05/14/2014 ⁽²⁾ 05/14/2024	Common Stock	25,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VP, Global Sales & Marketing

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

Signatures

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

05/28/2013

__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 shown forth in Table II, Column 6.
 - (3) These options became exercisable upon the achievement of a certain performance milestone.
 - (4) Sale of common stock pursuant to reporting owner's 10b5-1 plan sold to pay tax obligations upon vesting.
- This price represents the weighted average sale price of multiple transactions on the reported date at prices that ranged between \$21.6000
- (5) and \$21.6100. 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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