BOLT WILLIAM J Form 4

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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 05/14/2013 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 Form filed by More than One Reporting DANVERS, MA 01923 Person

| (City) | (State) (2 | Table | I - Non-De | erivative S | Securi | ties Ac | quired, Disposed | of, or Beneficial | lly Owned |
|--------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|--------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| 1.Title of | 2. Transaction Date | 2A. Deemed | 3. | 4. Securi | ties | | 5. Amount of | 6. Ownership | 7. Nature of |
| Security | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transactio | nAcquired | l (A) o | r | Securities | Form: Direct | Indirect |
| (Instr. 3) | | any | Code | Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | Beneficially | (D) or | Beneficial | |
| | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | | | Owned | Indirect (I) | Ownership | |
| | | | | | | | Following | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | (A) | | Reported | | | |
| | | | | | (A) | | Transaction(s) | | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | or (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common | | | | | (-) | | | | |
| Stock, \$.01 | 05/14/2013 | | A | 7,000 | A | \$ 0 | 99,826 | D | |
| par | | | | <u>(4)</u> | | 7 | ~ , , | _ | |
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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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|-----|--|------------------|--|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Share |
| Stock Option (right to buy) (1) | \$ 12.3 | | | | | | 07/01/2005 | 07/01/2014 | Common Stock | 18,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) (1) | \$ 9.36 | | | | | | 06/08/2006 | 06/08/2015 | Common Stock | 30,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) (1) | \$ 13.57 | | | | | | 06/01/2007 | 06/01/2016 | Common Stock | 20,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) (1) | \$ 11.27 | | | | | | 05/30/2008 | 05/30/2017 | Common Stock | 8,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) (3) | \$ 5.86 | | | | | | 05/28/2010(2) | 05/28/2019 | Common Stock | 32,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) (3) | \$ 5.86 | | | | | | 03/31/2010(2) | 05/28/2019 | Common Stock | 18,000 |
| Stock option (right to buy) (3) | \$ 13.8 | | | | | | 05/23/2009(2) | 05/23/2018 | Common Stock | 9,666 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) (3) | \$ 10.03 | | | | | | 06/03/2011(2) | 06/03/2020 | Common Stock | 30,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) (3) | \$ 22.44 | | | | | | 05/22/2013(2) | 05/22/2022 | Common Stock | 20,000 |

Stock

Option (Right to \$23.15 05/14/2013 A 20,000 05/14/2014(2) 05/14/2024 Common stock 20,000

Buy) (3)

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) 05/14/2013

**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 this option to buy the number of Common Stock set forth in Table II, Column 7, under the ABIOMED, Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (2) These options become exercisable in annual 25% increments, commencing on the date shown in Table II, Column 6.
- (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. 2008 Stock Incentive Plan.
 - 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 14, 2014, May 14, 2015 and May 14, 2016, so long as he continues to be employed by the issuer on the vesting dates. In
- (4) addition, performance share awards of up to 15,000 restricted units were granted to this reporting person on May 14, 2013, with double trigger vesting pursuant to fiscal 2014 financial performance to 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 14, 2015 and the other half of the units eligible for vesting will vest on May 14, 2016.

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