

AUSTEN W GERALD

Form 4

July 18, 2012

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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See Instruction
1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
AUSTEN W GERALD

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ABIOMED, INC., 22 CHERRY
HILL DRIVE

(Street)

DANVERS, MA 01923

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ABIOMED INC [ABMD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
07/16/2012

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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, \$0.01 par value	07/16/2012		M		8,000	A	\$ 10.41
					90,200	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. 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
Stock Option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 10.41	07/16/2012		M	8,000	08/11/2005 ⁽¹⁾ 08/11/2014	Common Stock 8,000
Stock Option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 10.06					08/09/2006 ⁽¹⁾ 08/10/2015	Common Stock 8,000
Stock Option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 13.21					08/08/2007 ⁽¹⁾ 08/09/2016	Common Stock 8,000
Stock option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 12.69					08/13/2008 ⁽¹⁾ 08/08/2017	Common Stock 8,000
Stock Option (right to buy) ⁽³⁾	\$ 18.63					08/12/2009 ⁽¹⁾ 08/13/2018	Common Stock 12,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
AUSTEN W GERALD C/O ABIOMED, INC. 22 CHERRY HILL DRIVE DANVERS, MA 01923	X			

Signatures

/s/ Ian W. McLeod (by power of attorney) 07/18/2012

 **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) This option becomes exercisable in full on the date set forth in Table II, Column 6.
- (2) Grant to reporting person of option to buy the number of shares of Common Stock set forth in Table II, Column 7, under the ABIOMED, Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (3) Grant to reporting person of option to buy shares of Common Stock set forth in Table II, Column 7, under the ABIOMED, Inc. 2008 Stock Incentive Plan.

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