

MINOGUE MICHAEL R  
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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 \*  
MINOGUE MICHAEL R

(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)  
04/11/2011

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)  
President, CEO, Chairman

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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   | 04/11/2011                           |  | M                              |   | 69,500  | A  | \$ 9.05   |
| Common Stock, \$.01 par value   | 04/11/2011                           |  | S <sup>(8)</sup>               |   | 69,500  | D  | \$ 16.0443 <sup>(9)</sup>                             |

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 Number Shares |
| Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(1)</u>     | \$ 9.05  |                                      |  |                                |   | 04/05/2005 <sup>(4)</sup>                                | 04/05/2014  | Common Stock | 5,100                |
| Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>     | \$ 9.05  |                                      |  |                                |   | 04/05/2005 <sup>(4)</sup>                                | 04/05/2014  | Common Stock | 30,500               |
| Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(2)</u>     | \$ 9.05  | 04/11/2011                           |  | M                              | 69,500  | 04/05/2005 <sup>(4)</sup>                                | 04/05/2014  | Common Stock | 69,500               |
| Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(2)</u>     | \$ 9.36  |                                      |  |                                |   | 06/08/2006 <sup>(4)</sup>                                | 06/08/2015  | Common Stock | 100,000              |
| Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(2)</u>     | \$ 13.57   |                                      |  |                                |   | 06/01/2007 <sup>(4)</sup>                                | 06/01/2016  | Common Stock | 260,000              |
| Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(2)</u>     | \$ 11.27   |                                      |  |                                |   | 05/30/2008 <sup>(4)</sup>                                | 05/30/2017  | Common Stock | 85,000               |
| Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(2)</u>     | \$ 13.8  |                                      |  |                                |   | 05/23/2009 <sup>(4)</sup>                                | 05/23/2018  | Common Stock | 43,333               |
| Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(2)</u>     | \$ 18.63   |                                      |  |                                |   | 06/15/2009 <sup>(5)</sup>                                | 08/13/2018  | Common Stock | 93,750               |

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| buy) <sup>(6)</sup>                        |          |                           |            |              |         |
| Stock Option (right to buy) <sup>(5)</sup> | \$ 5.86  | 05/28/2010 <sup>(4)</sup> | 05/28/2019 | Common Stock | 148,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) <sup>(5)</sup> | \$ 5.86  | 03/31/2010 <sup>(7)</sup> | 05/28/2019 | Common Stock | 130,500 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) <sup>(5)</sup> | \$ 10.03 | 06/03/2011 <sup>(4)</sup> | 06/03/2020 | Common Stock | 105,000 |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                          |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                  | Other |
| MINOGUE MICHAEL R<br>C/O ABIOMED, INC.,<br>22 CHERRY HILL DRIVE<br>DANVERS, MA 01923 | X             |           | President, CEO, Chairman |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Stephen McEvoy (by power of attorney) 04/12/2011

<sup>\_\_</sup>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 shares of Common Stock under the ABIOMED, Inc. 1998 Equity Incentive Plan.
- (2) Grant to reporting person of option to buy shares of Common Stock under the ABIOMED, Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (3) Grant to reporting person of inducement option to buy shares of Common Stock under NASDAQ Marketplace Rule 4350. These options were granted outside of the Company's established stock option plans.
- (4) These options become exercisable in annual 25% increments, commencing on the date shown in Table II, Column 6.
- (5) 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. 2008 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (6) These options become exercisable based on the achievement of certain performance milestones.
- (7) These options become exercisable upon the achievement of a certain performance milestone, based on the results of Abiomed's fiscal year ended March 31, 2010.
- (8) The sale of common stock reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on 11/25/2009.
- (9) This price represents the weighted average sale price of multiple transactions on the reported date at prices that ranged between \$16.00 and \$16.20. Detailed information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price will be provided upon request by the

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Commission staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer.

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