

ABELE JOHN E
Form SC 13G/A
February 17, 2004

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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G
(RULE 13D-102)

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(B), (C),
AND (D) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13D-2(B)

(AMENDMENT NO. 10) (1)

BOSTON SCIENTIFIC CORPORATION

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share

(Title or Class of Securities)

101137 10 7

(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2002

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule
is filed:

- Rule 13d-1(b)
 Rule 13d-1(c)
 Rule 13d-1(d)

(1) The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting
person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of
securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would
alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be
deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange
Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act
but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the
Notes).

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1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

John E. Abele

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

Not applicable.

(a)

(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

The United States of America

5 SOLE VOTING POWER

27,142,250 (See Item 4(a))

NUMBER OF
SHARES

BENEFICIALLY
OWNED BY
EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH

6 SHARED VOTING POWER

837,719

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

27,142,250 (See Item 4(a))

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

837,719

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

27,979,969

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES
(SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

6.8%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

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ITEM 1(A). NAME OF ISSUER:

Boston Scientific Corporation, a Delaware corporation

ITEM 1(B). ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES:

One Boston Scientific Place
Natick, MA 01760

ITEM 2(A). NAME OF PERSON FILING:

John E. Abele (the "Reporting Person")

ITEM 2(B). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE:

c/o Boston Scientific Corporation
One Boston Scientific Place
Natick, MA 01760

ITEM 2(C). CITIZENSHIP:

The United States of America

ITEM 2(D). TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES:

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share

ITEM 2(E). CUSIP NUMBER:

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ITEM 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(B), OR 13D-2(B), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A:

Not applicable.

ITEM 4. OWNERSHIP: (2)

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: The Reporting Person owns beneficially a total of 27,979,969(3) shares.
- (b) Percent of class: 6.8%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
 - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 27,142,250
 - (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 837,719
 - (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

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27,142,250
(iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:
837,719

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ITEM 5. OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS:

Not applicable.

ITEM 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON:

Not applicable.

ITEM 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY:

Not applicable.

ITEM 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP:

Not applicable.

ITEM 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP:

Not applicable.

ITEM 10. CERTIFICATIONS:

Not applicable.

(2) This Schedule 13G is being filed to correct the number of shares listed as beneficially owned by Mr. Abele in the Schedule 13G filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 14, 2002 (File No. 005-43484).

(3) Includes 607,000 shares owned by a charitable trust of which the Reporting Person is a trustee and shares investment and ownership control as well as 230,719 shares owned by a trust of which the Reporting Person is a trustee and shares investment and ownership control. Also includes 130,000 shares subject to exercisable options granted to the Reporting Person. Does not include 200,000 shares owned by the Reporting Person's wife. In accordance with Rule 13d-4, the Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these 200,000 shares.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

February 17, 2004

(Date)

/s/ John E. Abele

John E. Abele