

AUSTEN W GERALD  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**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)  
**11/05/2012**

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)  
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 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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	11/05/2012		S	20,000	\$ 13.2614 70,200	I	Footnote (4)

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)	8. De Se (In	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Stock Option (right to buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 10.06					08/09/2006 <sup>(1)</sup>	08/10/2015	Common Stock	8,000
Stock Option (right to buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 13.21					08/08/2007 <sup>(1)</sup>	08/09/2016	Common Stock	8,000
Stock option (right to buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 12.69					08/13/2008 <sup>(1)</sup>	08/08/2017	Common Stock	8,000
Stock Option (right to buy) <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 18.63					08/12/2009 <sup>(1)</sup>	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)

11/07/2012

          \*\*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.

Represents shares held by the W. Gerald Austen Rev Trust, of which the Reporting Person and his spouse are the Trustees and the Reporting Person's spouse and children are the beneficiaries. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of all such shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these shares in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of such shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

- (4) This price represents the weighted average sale price of multiple transactions on the reported date at prices that ranged between \$13.02 and \$13.73. 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.
- (5)

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