

Magni Giovanni  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Magni Giovanni

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BIO-RAD LABORATORIES,  
INC., 1000 ALFRED NOBEL  
DRIVE

(Street)

HERCULES, CA 94547

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

BIO RAD LABORATORIES INC  
[BIO, BIOB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
09/08/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)  
Vice President, Intl Sales

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Bio-Rad<br>A<br>Common<br>Stock       | 09/08/2012                              |                                                             | M                                    | 240 <sup>(1)</sup>                                                      | A \$ 0                                                                                                             | 7,840                                                                   | D                                                                 |
| Bio-Rad<br>A<br>Common<br>Stock       | 09/10/2012                              |                                                             | S                                    | 92 <sup>(2)</sup>                                                       | D \$<br>103.4935                                                                                                   | 7,748                                                                   | 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)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) |                                        |      |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------|
|                                                     |                                                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                    | V (A) (D)                                                                                                          | Date<br>Exercisable                                            | Expiration<br>Date                                                  | Title                                                  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |      |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units                        | \$ 0 <sup>(3)</sup>                                                   | 09/08/2012                              |                                                             | M                                       | 240                                                                                                                | <sup>(4)</sup>                                                 | <sup>(4)</sup>                                                      | Bio-Rad<br>A<br>Common<br>Stock                        | 240                                    | \$ 0 |

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Magni Giovanni  
C/O BIO-RAD LABORATORIES, INC.  
1000 ALFRED NOBEL DRIVE  
HERCULES, CA 94547

Vice President, Intl Sales

## Signatures

/s/ Ronald W. Hutton,  
Attorney-in-fact

09/11/2012

\_\_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) Shares of Class A common stock acquired on the vesting of restricted stock units.
- (2) Sold by the Issuer on behalf of the Reporting Person to satisfy certain tax obligations in connection with the vesting of restricted stock units, all in accordance with a restricted stock unit award agreement.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Bio-Rad Class A common stock.

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(4) The restricted stock units vest in five equal annual installments beginning September 8, 2011.

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