

Howley Michael G  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Howley Michael G

(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)  
05/24/2018

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)

VP, Global Sales & Marketing

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock, \$.01 par value	05/24/2018		F <sup>(5)</sup>		1,484 <sup>(5)</sup>	D	\$ 395.52	50,492	D
Common Stock, \$.01 par value								2,500	I
									By Trust

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)	8. 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) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 21.55					05/14/2015 <sup>(3)</sup> 05/14/2024	Common Stock	0
Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 23.15					05/14/2014 <sup>(2)</sup> 05/14/2023	Common Stock	0
Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 66.25					05/13/2016 <sup>(3)</sup> 05/13/2025	Common Stock	0
Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 99.62					05/24/2017 <sup>(3)</sup> 05/24/2026	Common Stock	0
Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 134.51					05/15/2018 <sup>(3)</sup> 05/15/2027	Common Stock	0
Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 381.97					05/16/2019 <sup>(3)</sup> 05/16/2028	Common Stock	4,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Howley Michael G  
C/O ABIOMED, INC.  
22 CHERRY HILL DRIVE  
DANVERS, MA 01923

VP, Global Sales & Marketing

## Signatures

/s/ Stephen C. McEvoy (by power of attorney)

05/25/2018

\_\_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 the number of shares of common stock set forth on Table II, Column 7, under the Abiomed, Inc. 2008 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (2) These options become exercisable in annual 25% increments, commencing on the date shown forth in Table II, Column 6.
- (3) These options become exercisable in annual 33-1/3% increments, commencing on the date shown in Table II, Column 6.
- (4) 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. 2015 Omnibus Incentive Plan.
- (5) Transaction represents shares of common stock withheld solely for the payment of withholding tax liability associated with the vesting of awards of restricted stock units in accordance with the time periods set forth in such awards.

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