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ABIOMED INC Form 4 August 09, 2006 FORM 4 August 09, 2006 FORM 4 Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).									
(Print or Type R	tesponses)								
1. Name and A BOLT WILI	ddress of Reporting Person <u>*</u> LIAM J	2. Issuer Name and Symbol ABIOMED INC			g	5. Relationship of Issuer			
(Last)	(First) (Middle)	(Check all applicable)							
(Month/D C/O ABIOMED, INC., 22 CHERRY 08/07/20 HILL DRIVE						Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) SVP, QA and Field Service			
(Street) 4. If Ame Filed(Mor DANVERS, MA 01923			ate Original r)			 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 			
						Person			
(City)	(State) (Zip)				-	uired, Disposed of		-	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. D (Month/Day/Year) Execu any (Mont		4. Securit on(A) or Di (Instr. 3, -	sposed	l of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock, \$.01 par value						2,000	D		
Common Stock, \$.01 par value	08/07/2006	М	10,000 (8)	А	\$ 6.25	12,000	D		
Common Stock, \$.01 par value	08/07/2006	S	10,000 (8)	D	\$ 13.1	2,000	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 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	orDeri Secu Acqu or D (D)	urities uired (A) isposed of r. 3, 4,	Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option (right to buy) (2)	\$ 6.25	08/07/2006		М		10,000	08/12/2001 <u>(1)</u>	08/12/2006	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Option (right to buy) (2)	\$ 6.688						07/01/2003 <u>(1)</u>	07/01/2009	Common Stock	20,000
Stock Option (right to buy) (3)	\$ 15.563						06/28/2004 <u>(1)</u>	06/28/2010	Common Stock	40,000
Stock Option (right to buy) (4)	\$ 24.12						06/22/2005 <u>(1)</u>	06/22/2011	Common Stock	25,000
Stock Option (right to buy) (4)	\$ 6.75						06/25/2004 <u>(5)</u>	06/25/2012	Common Stock	50,000
Stock Option (right to buy) (3)	\$ 5.11						06/25/2005 <u>(6)</u>	06/25/2013	Common Stock	16,000
Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(4)</u>	\$ 12.3						07/01/2005 <u>(7)</u>	07/01/2014	Common Stock	18,000

Stock Option (right to buy) (4)	\$ 9.36	06/08/2006 <u>(7)</u>	06/08/2015	Common Stock	30,000
Stock Option (right to buy) (4)	\$ 13.57	06/01/2007 <u>(7)</u>	06/01/2016	Common Stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BOLT WILLIAM J C/O ABIOMED, INC. 22 CHERRY HILL DRIVE DANVERS, MA 01923			SVP, QA and Field Service			
Signatures						
/s/ Carrie-Ann Powierza (Attorney-in-fact)		08/0	9/2006			

**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) Options were fully exercisable on the date shown.
- (2) Grant to reporting person of this option to buy the number of Common Stock set forth in Table II, Column 7, under the ABIOMED, Inc. 1992 Combination Stock Option Plan.
- (3) Grant to reporting person of this option to buy the number of Common Stock set forth in Table II, Column 7, under the ABIOMED, Inc. 1998 Equity Incentive Plan.
- (4) Grant to reporting person of this option to buy the number of Common Stock set forth in Table II, Column 7, under the ABIOMED, Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (5) Thirty percent of this option will become exercisable on each of $\frac{6}{25}$ and $\frac{6}{25}$ and an additional 40 percent will become exercisable on $\frac{6}{25}$ on $\frac{6}{25}$ of $\frac{6}{25}$.
- (6) Thirty percent of this option will become exercisable on each of 6/25/05 and 6/25/06 and an additional 40 percent will become exercisable on 6/25/07.
- (7) These options become exercisable in annual 25% increments, commencing on the date shown in Table II, Column 6.
- (8) Stock was acquired and sold pursuant to a Sales Plan compliant with the requirements of SEC Rule 10b5-1.

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