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(Print or Type F	Responses)											
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> SUTTER MARTIN P			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ABIOMED INC [ABMD]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of	Earliest	Tra	insaction	-		(Ch	eck all applica	ible)	
22 CHERRY HILL DRIVE			(Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2013						_X_ Director10% Owner Officer (give titleOther (specify below) below)			
(Street) DANVERS, MA 01923			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	T 11	T N	D	•	c	• •	Person	6 D 6		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	Pate 2A. Dees ar) Execution any		3. Transac Code (Instr. 8	ctior 3)	4. Securit Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, Amount	ties (A) c of (D 4 and (A) or	or)) 5)	Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect	
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	01/02/2013			А		949 <u>(6)</u>	A	\$ 0 (6)	89,661	D		
Common Stock, \$.01 par value									946,818	Ι	Essex Woodland Health Ventures, VI, LP (1)	
Common Stock, \$0.01 par									2,203,182	I	Essex Woodlands Health	

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value								Ventures Fund VII, LP (2)		
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number. Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)								SEC 1474 (9-02)		
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)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year e	•		7. 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) (<u>3)</u>	\$ 13.91					05/20/2009 <u>(4)</u>	05/20/2018	Common Stock	25,000	
Stock Option (right to buy) (5)	\$ 18.63					08/12/2009	08/13/2018	Common Stock	12,000	
Stock Option (right to buy) (5)	\$ 7.67					08/11/2010	08/12/2019	Common Stock	12,000	
Stock Option (right to buy) (5)	\$ 9.99					08/10/2011	08/11/2020	Common Stock	12,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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SUTTER MARTIN P 22 CHERRY HILL DRIVE DANVERS, MA 01923

Signatures

/s/ Ian W. McLeod (by power of attorney)

01/14/2013

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

These securities are held by Essex Woodlands Health Ventures Fund VI, L.P.. Mr. Sutter is a managing director of the partnership that

(1) owns the reported securities. As a managing director Mr. Sutter shares voting and investment powers for Essex Woodlands Health Ventures Fund VI, L.P.. Mr. Sutter and the Essex Woodlands Health Ventures entities disclaim beneficial ownership of all such securities except to the extent of their proportionate pecuniary interest therein.

These securities are held by Essex Woodlands Health Ventures Fund VII, L.P.. Mr. Sutter is a managing director of the partnership that owns the reported securities. As a managing director Mr. Sutter shares voting and investment powers for Essex Woodlands Health

- (2) Owns the reported securities. As a managing director Will Stater shares voting and investment powers for Essex woodnands freath Ventures Fund VII, L.P.. Mr. Sutter and the Essex Woodlands Health Ventures entities disclaim beneficial ownership of all such securities except to the extent of their proportionate pecuniary interest therein.
- (3) Grant to reporting person to buy shares of Common Stock under ABIOMED, Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (4) These options become exerciseable in annual 20% increments commencing on the date shown forth in Table II, Column 6.
- (5) 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.
- (6) This stock was issued to the Reporting Person in lieu of a retainer of \$12,754.56 for compensation for his service as a board member of ABIOMED, Inc.

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