

ABIOMED INC  
Form 8-K  
May 13, 2011

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

### CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 9, 2011

## ABIOMED, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

0-20584  
(Commission

File Number)  
22 Cherry Hill Drive

Danvers, MA 01923

04-2743260  
(IRS Employer

Identification Number)

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**(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)**

**(978) 646-1400**

**(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)**

**Not Applicable**

**(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below).

- ..  Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- ..  Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- ..  Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- ..  Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

5.02 (b). On May 9, 2011, Mr. Desmond H. O'Connell, Jr., a member of our board of directors, notified us that he does not intend to stand for reelection as a director at our 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Mr. O'Connell has served as a member of our board of directors since 1995.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

**ABIOMED, Inc.**

By: /s/ Robert L. Bowen  
Robert L. Bowen  
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: May 13, 2011