

NanoString Technologies Inc
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * COWENS J WAYNE (Last) (First) (Middle) 530 FAIRVIEW AVENUE N., SUITE 2000 (Street) SEATTLE, WA 98109 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 06/25/2013	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NanoString Technologies Inc [NSTG]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) Chief Medical Officer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	32,196 ⁽¹⁾	I	By wife ⁽²⁾

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Title	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (3)	01/09/2023	Common Stock	14,999 (1) \$ 6.72		D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (4)	02/15/2021	Common Stock	36,676 (1) \$ 2.24		D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (5)	02/28/2022	Common Stock	19,939 (1) \$ 1.92		D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
COWENS J WAYNE 530 FAIRVIEW AVENUE N. SUITE 2000 SEATTLE, WA 98109	Â	Â	Â Chief Medical Officer	Â

Signatures

/s/ Barbara Mery,
Attorney-in-fact

06/25/2013

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Reflects a 1-for-32 reverse stock split of the Issuer's outstanding shares effected June 12, 2013.
 - (2) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
 - (3) The option is subject to an early exercise provision and is immediately exercisable. 1/48th of the shares subject to such Option vest on each monthly anniversary of January 10, 2013.

The option is subject to an early exercise provision and is immediately exercisable. 25% of the shares subject to the Option vested on the
 - (4) one year anniversary of February 1, 2011 (the "Vesting Commencement Date"), and thereafter 1/48th of the shares subject to the Option vest on each monthly anniversary of the Vesting Commencement Date.

The option is subject to an early exercise provision and is immediately exercisable. 10% of the shares subject to the Option vested on
 - (5) March 1, 2012 (the "Vesting Commencement Date"), and thereafter 1/48th of the remaining shares subject to the Option vest on each monthly anniversary of the Vesting Commencement Date.

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