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

0-20584 (Commission 04-2743260 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)
22 Cherry Hill Drive

**Identification Number**)

Danvers, MA 01923

(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