

ABBOTT LABORATORIES

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CAPEK JOHN M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD

(Street)

ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

03/05/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012		M		100,000	A	\$ 41.92 315,551
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012		S		3,000	D	\$ 57.31 312,551
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012		S		400	D	\$ 57.315 312,151

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Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	6,055	D	\$ 57.32	306,096	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	200	D	\$ 57.325	305,896	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	6,900	D	\$ 57.33	298,996	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	1,300	D	\$ 57.335	297,696	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	4,200	D	\$ 57.34	293,496	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	500	D	\$ 57.345	292,996	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	6,800	D	\$ 57.35	286,196	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	1,600	D	\$ 57.355	284,596	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	100	D	\$ 57.359	284,496	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	8,800	D	\$ 57.36	275,696	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	1,000	D	\$ 57.365	274,696	D
	03/05/2012	S	100	D		274,596	D

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Common shares without par value					\$ 57.3675		
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	100	D	\$ 57.369	274,496	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	12,700	D	\$ 57.37	261,796	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	2,700	D	\$ 57.375	259,096	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	10,327	D	\$ 57.38	248,769	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	1,773	D	\$ 57.385	246,996	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	200	D	\$ 57.3875	246,796	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	16,005	D	\$ 57.39	230,791	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	2,400	D	\$ 57.395	228,391	D
Common shares without par value	03/05/2012	S	12,840	D	\$ 57.4	215,551	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount Number of Shares
Option (right to buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 41.92	03/05/2012		M	100,000	04/21/2009 04/20/2016	Common shares 100,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CAPEK JOHN M 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400			Executive Vice President	

Signatures

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for John M. Capek
03/07/2012

**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) Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program in a transaction exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3.

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