ABBOTT LABORATORIES
Form 4
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
Mason Heather L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD

(Street)

ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/13/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Senior Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012		M		7,434	A	$ 55.66	139,246	D	
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012		M		962	A	$ 49.38	140,208	D	
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012		M		12,822	A	$ 48.79	153,030	D	

Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	M	13,516	A	$ 54.62	166,546	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	M	5,045	A	$ 56.35	171,591	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	1,700	D	$ 58.4	169,891	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	400	D	$ 58.405	169,491	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	300	D	$ 58.41	169,191	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	4,200	D	$ 58.415	164,991	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	100	D	$ 58.4175	164,891	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	100	D	$ 58.419	164,791	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	1,900	D	$ 58.42	162,891	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	1,000	D	$ 58.425	161,891	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	500	D	$ 58.4275	161,391	D
	03/13/2012	S	14,721	D	$ 58.43	146,670	D

Common shares without par value									
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012		S	900	D	$ 58.435	145,770	D	
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012		S	100	D	$ 58.4375	145,670	D	
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012		S	10,258	D	$ 58.44	135,412	D	
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012		S	100	D	$ 58.445	135,312	D	
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012		S	3,500	D	$ 58.45	131,812	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 or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy) (1)	$ 55.66	03/13/2012		M			7,434	09/25/2008	02/13/2013	Common shares	7,434

Option (right to buy) (1)	$ 49.38	03/13/2012		M	962	11/04/2005	02/13/2013	Common shares	962
Option (right to buy) (1)	$ 48.79	03/13/2012		M	12,822	03/01/2007	02/13/2013	Common shares	12,822
Option (right to buy) (1)	$ 54.62	03/13/2012		M	13,516	09/02/2007	02/13/2013	Common shares	13,516
Option (right to buy) (1)	$ 56.35	03/13/2012		M	5,045	12/03/2008	02/13/2013	Common shares	5,045

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Mason Heather L 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064			Senior Vice President	

Signatures

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Heather L. Mason	03/15/2012
**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, including a replacement option feature, in a transaction exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3.

Remarks:

These transactions were made pursuant to a previously adopted plan complying with Rule 10b5-1(c).

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