

ABIOMED INC  
Form 8-K  
September 12, 2012

# 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): September 10, 2012

## ABIOMED, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

001-09585  
(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)
  
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- .. 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 8.01 Other Events.**

On September 10, 2012, we announced that the Impella CP has received 510(k) clearance from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

The Impella CP provides peak flows of approximately four liters of blood per minute and is indicated for up to six hours of partial circulatory support using an extracorporeal bypass control unit. It is also intended to be used to provide partial circulatory support, for up to six hours, during procedures not requiring cardiopulmonary bypass.

The Impella CP (previously marketed outside of the US as Impella cVAD) received CE Marking approval to market the device in the European Union in April 2012.

**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: September 12, 2012