

WADLER SANFORD  
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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 \*  
WADLER SANFORD

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BIO RAD LABORATORIES INC  
[BIO, BIOB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
VP, General Counsel, Secretary

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O BIO-RAD LABORATORIES,  
INC., 1000 ALFRED NOBEL  
DRIVE  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
09/12/2012

HERCULES, CA 94547  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Bio-Rad A Common Stock          |                                      |                                                    |                                | (A)<br>or<br>(D)                                                  | 12,117                                                                                        | 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units                     | \$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup>                                    | 09/12/2012                           |                                                    | A                              | 1,000                                                                                   | <sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(2)</sup>                            | Bio-Rad A Common Stock                                        | 1,000                      |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 107.32                                              | 09/12/2012                           |                                                    | A                              | 3,000                                                                                   | <sup>(3)</sup> 09/12/2022                                | Bio-Rad A Common Stock                                        | 3,000                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                                    | Relationships |           |                                |       |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
|                                                                                                   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                        | Other |
| WADLER SANFORD<br>C/O BIO-RAD LABORATORIES, INC.<br>1000 ALFRED NOBEL DRIVE<br>HERCULES, CA 94547 |               |           | VP, General Counsel, Secretary |       |

## Signatures

Sanford Wadler                      09/13/2012  
 \*\*Signature of                      Date  
 Reporting Person

## 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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Bio-Rad Class A Common Stock.
- (2) The restricted stock units vest over five years at 20% per year on the yearly anniversary date of the grant.
- (3) The stock option vests over five years at 20% per year on the yearly anniversary date of the grant.

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