

WORLD HEART CORP  
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 \*  
ABIOMED INC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
WORLD HEART CORP [WHRT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
22 CHERRY HILL DR  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/24/2010

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

DANVERS, MA 01923

(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  
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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  |  |                                   |
| Common Shares                   | 03/24/2010                           |  | S                              |   | 900,350   | D  |                                   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 2.42  |  |                                   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 1,042,220   |  |                                   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(1)</u>  |  |                                   |

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)**

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| 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                        | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ABIOMED INC<br>22 CHERRY HILL DR<br>DANVERS, MA 01923 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Ian W. McLeod, Corporate Controller  
 03/26/2010  
 \*\*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) The weighted average price of 2.42 is a result of the following sales of shares: 4700 at 2.63, 1600 at 2.62, 1250 at 2.61, 37800 at 2.60, 2646 at 2.53, 8100 at 2.52, 19253 at 2.51, 10200 at 2.50, 400 at 2.49, 200 at 2.48, 2000 at 2.46, 111200 at 2.45, 4700 at 2.44, 5250 at 2.43, 97450 at 2.42, 70061 at 2.41, 401361 at 2.40, 200 at 2.39, 7100 at 2.38, 9700 at 2.37, 7068 at 2.36, 87132 at 2.35, 360 at 2.34, and 10619 at 2.33.

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