

ABELE JOHN E

Form 4

December 26, 2002

SEC Form 4

FORM 4 [] Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).		UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940		OMB APPROVAL — OMB Number: 3235-0287 Expires: January 31, 2005 Estimated average burden hours per response. 0.5			
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Abele, John E. — (Last) (First) (Middle) One Boston Scientific Place — (Street) Natick, MA 01760-1537 — (City) (State) (Zip) USA		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Boston Scientific Corporation BSX — 3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)		4. Statement for (Month/Day/Year) December 24, 2002 — 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)		6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) — <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director — <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner — Officer — Other Officer/Other Description — — 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individual Filing — Joint/Group Filing	
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code and Voluntary Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) Of (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

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		<div>—</div> <div>Code V</div>	<div>—</div> <div>Amount A/D Price</div>			
Common Stock	12/24/2002	M	70,000 A \$12.2500	26,880,250	D	
Common Stock	10/14/2002	G (1) V	1,300,000 D	0	I	By Corporation
Common Stock				200,000	I	By Spouse (2)
Common Stock				230,719	I	By Trust (3)

Reminder:
Report on a
separate line
for each
class of
securities
beneficially
owned
directly or
indirectly.
* If the form
is filed by
more than
one
reporting
person, see
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Table II -
Derivative
Securities
Acquired,
Disposed of,
or
Beneficially
Owned

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(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)	4. Transaction Code and Voluntary (V) Code (Instr.8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) Of (Instr. 3,4 and 5)	6. Date Exercisable(DE) and Expiration Date(ED) (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 Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr.4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$12.2500	12/24/2002	M	(D) 70,000	Varies (4) 12/06/2010	Common Stock - 70,000		50,000	D
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$24.8125				Varies (5) 05/05/2007	Common Stock - 160,000		160,000	D

Explanation of Responses :

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.
See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

By: Lawrence J. Knopf, Attorney-in-fact

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** Signature of Reporting Person
Date
John E. Abele

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insufficient,
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Instruction 6
for procedure.

Potential
persons who
are to respond
to the
collection of
information
contained in
this form are
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required to
respond unless
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FOOTNOTE
Descriptions for Boston Scientific Corporation BSX
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John E. Abele One Boston Scientific Place Natick, MA 01760-1537
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Explanation of responses:
(1) Bona fide gift for no consideration.
(2) Common stock held by the reporting person's wife. The

reporting person
disclaims
beneficial
ownership of
these shares.

(3) Common
stock held by
trust for the
benefit of the
reporting
person's child of
which the
reporting person
is a trustee. The
reporting person
disclaims
beneficial
ownership of
these shares.

(4) Grant to the
reporting person
of an option to
buy a specified
number of shares
of Common Stock
exercisable in
approximately
equal annual
increments on
December 6,
2001, 2002 and
2003, the
anniversary date
of this grant.

(5) Grant to the
reporting person
of options to buy
a specified
number of shares
of Common Stock
which become
exercisable for
10% of the
aggregate amount
on May 5, 1999,
30% on May 5,
2000, 50% on
May 5, 2001, 75%
on May 5, 2002
and 100% on
May 5, 2003, the
anniversary date
of this grant.