

SCHWARTZ DAVID
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FORM 4

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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 *
 SCHWARTZ DAVID

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)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

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

Chairman of the Board

C/O BIO-RAD LABORATORIES, INC., 1000 ALFRED NOBEL DRIVE

(Street)

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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HERCULES, CA 94547

(City) (State) (Zip)

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) or (D) | 2,094,158 | D | |
| Bio-Rad A Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) | 480,423 | I | By GRAT |
| Bio-Rad A Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) | 480,423 | I | By GRAT (spouse) |

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|------------------------------|------------|--|-----|--------------------|---|------|--|-----------|---|--|
| Bio-Rad A Common Stock | | | | | | | | 34,311 | I | By Trust |
| Bio-Rad B Common Stock | | | | | | | | 4,060,054 | I | By Blue Raven Partners, L.P. ⁽¹⁾ |
| Bio-Rad B Common Stock | | | | | | | | 41,176 | I | By DANSA Partners Limited ⁽²⁾ |
| Bio-Rad B Common Stock | 09/06/2011 | | G V | 1,632 | D | \$ 0 | | 461,592 | D | |
| Bio-Rad B Common Stock | 09/08/2011 | | M | 334 ⁽³⁾ | A | \$ 0 | | 461,926 | 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|--|---|--|--|------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 ⁽⁴⁾ | 09/08/2011 | | M | 334 | ⁽⁵⁾ | ⁽⁵⁾ | Bio-Rad B Common Stock | 334 | \$ 0 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SCHWARTZ DAVID C/O BIO-RAD LABORATORIES, INC. 1000 ALFRED NOBEL DRIVE HERCULES, CA 94547 | X | X | Chairman of the Board | |

Signatures

David Schwartz 09/09/2011

 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 shares are held by a limited partnership of which the reporting person is a limited and general partner.
- (2) The shares are held by a limited partnership of which the reporting person is a general partner.
- (3) Shares of Class B common stock acquired on the vesting of restricted stock units.
- (4) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Bio-Rad Class B common stock.
- (5) The restricted stock units vest in five equal annual installments beginning September 8, 2011.

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