

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE
COMMISSION**
Washington, D.C. 20549
SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No. 26)*

Abbott Laboratories

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, without par value

(Title of Class of Securities)

002824 10 0

(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2004

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

- ☒ Rule 13d-1(b)
☐ Rule 13d-1(c)
☐ Rule 13d-1(d)

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1. Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only)
Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust 36-6047554

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

(a) ☐
(b) ☐

3. SEC Use Only

4. Citizenship or Place of Organization
Illinois

Number of
Shares
Beneficially
Owned by
Each
Reporting
Person With

5. Sole Voting Power
0

6. Shared Voting Power
61,715,742

7. Sole Dispositive Power
0

8. Shared Dispositive Power
61,715,742

9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person
61,715,742

10. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) o
Not Applicable

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)
4.0%

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)
EP

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1. Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only)
Thomas C. Freyman

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

(a) o

(b) ☒

3. SEC Use Only

4. Citizenship or Place of Organization
United States

5. Sole Voting Power
176,820 (Does not include shares held in the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust for the benefit of the reporting person)

Number of
Shares
Beneficially
Owned by
Each
Reporting
Person With

6. Shared Voting Power
65,028,208 - See Attached Exhibit 1

7. Sole Dispositive Power
176,820 direct (see note in 5 above)

8. Shared Dispositive Power
65,028,208 - See Attached Exhibit 1

9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person
65,649,889 (Total of 5 + 6 + 444,861 shares – right to acquire by exercise of stock options)

10. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) o
Not Applicable

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)
4.2%

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)
IN

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1. Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only)
Greg W. Linder

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

(a) ☐

(b) ☒

3. SEC Use Only

4. Citizenship or Place of Organization
United States

5. Sole Voting Power
71,943 (Does not include shares held in the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust for the benefit of the reporting person)

Number of
Shares
Beneficially
Owned by
Each
Reporting
Person With

6. Shared Voting Power
65,028,208 - See Attached Exhibit 1

7. Sole Dispositive Power
71,943 direct (see note in 5 above)

8. Shared Dispositive Power
65,028,208 - See Attached Exhibit 1

9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person
65,342,314 (Total of 5 + 6 + 242,163 shares – right to acquire by exercise of stock options)

10. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) ☐
Not Applicable

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)
4.2%

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)
IN

CUSIP No. 002824 10 0

1. Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only)
Thomas M. Wascoe

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

(a) ☐

(b) ☒

3. SEC Use Only

4. Citizenship or Place of Organization
United States

5. Sole Voting Power
68,902 (Does not include shares held in the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust for the benefit of the reporting person)

Number of
Shares
Beneficially
Owned by
Each
Reporting
Person With

6. Shared Voting Power
65,028,208 - See Attached Exhibit 1

7. Sole Dispositive Power
68,902 direct (see note in 5 above)

8. Shared Dispositive Power
65,028,208 - See Attached Exhibit 1

9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person
65,535,361 (Total of 5 + 6 + 438,251 shares – right to acquire by exercise of stock options)

10. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) ☐ o
Not Applicable

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)
4.2%

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)
IN

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Item 1.

- (a) Name of Issuer
Abbott Laboratories
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- (b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices
100 Abbott Park Road
Abbott Park, Illinois 60064-6400
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Item 2.

- (a) Name of Person Filing
Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust
Thomas C. Freyman
Greg W. Linder
Thomas M. Wascoe
-
- (b) Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence
100 Abbott Park Road
Abbott Park, Illinois 60064-6400
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- (c) Citizenship
Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust – Illinois
Thomas C. Freyman, Greg W. Linder and Thomas M. Wascoe – United States
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- (d) Title of Class of Securities
Common Stock, without par value
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- (e) CUSIP Number
002824 10 0
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Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to §§240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:

- (a) o Broker or dealer registered under section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o).
- (b) o Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (c) o Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (d) o Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C 80a-8).
- (e) o An investment adviser in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
- (f) ☒ An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g) o A parent holding company or control person in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
- (h) o A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
- (i) o A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
- (j) o Group, in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).

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Item 4. Ownership

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

(a)-(c) See cover pages 2, 3, 4 and 5, Items 5 through 9 and 11.

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following ☒.

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person

Not applicable

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company

Not applicable

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group

Not applicable

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group

Not applicable

Item 10. Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

DATED: February 10, 2005

/s/ Thomas C. Freyman

Thomas C. Freyman, Co-Trustee

/s/ Greg W. Linder

Greg W. Linder, Co-Trustee

/s/ Thomas M. Wascoe

Thomas M. Wascoe, Co-Trustee

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Common shares without par value
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Messrs. Freyman, Linder, and Wascoe are Co-trustees of the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust, committee members of a committee established under the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust (Puerto Rico), and Trustees of the Abbott Laboratories Employee Benefit Trust. As such, each of them has shared voting power over the 65,028,208 shares held by those trusts. This total is comprised of the following components:

Number of Shares	Name of Trust
61,715,742	Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust
3,260,466	Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust (Puerto Rico)
52,000	Abbott Laboratories Employee Benefit Trust

Disclaimer of Beneficial Ownership
under Rule 13d-4

The filing of Schedule 13G Amendment 26 on behalf of the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust does not constitute an admission that the undersigned is, for purposes of Section 13(d) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the beneficial owner of any securities covered by the Schedule. Pursuant to Rule 13d-4 of the Act, the undersigned disclaims such ownership with respect to any shares listed therein of which he would not otherwise be deemed to be beneficial owner.

/s/ Thomas C. Freyman

Thomas C. Freyman
Date: February 10, 2005

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/s/ Greg W. Linder

Greg W. Linder
Date: February 10, 2005

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/s/ Thomas M. Wascoe

Thomas M. Wascoe
Date: February 10, 2005