FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP	STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BIRD ROGER			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ABBOTT LABORATORIES</u> [ABT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify				
(Last) 100 ABBOTT PA	(First) RK ROAD	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/16/2018	X below) below) Senior Vice President				
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
ABBOTT PARK	IL	60064		X Form filed by One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	-	Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			Transaction Disposed Of (D Code (Instr.				Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)
Common shares without par value	02/16/2018		A		22,255 ⁽¹⁾	Α	\$0	73,568	D	

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. Transa Code (8)		5. Numbe Derivativ Securitie Acquired or Dispos of (D) (In: 3, 4 and 5	e s I (A) sed str.	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year))		of Securities		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)		
Option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾	\$59.94	02/16/2018		A		122,385		02/16/2019	02/15/2028	Common shares	122,385	\$0	122,385	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. These shares represent performance vested restricted stock awards under the Abbott Laboratories 2017 Incentive Stock Program. The awards have a 3-year term, with no more than 1/3 of the award vesting in any one year upon Abbott reaching a minimum return on equity target. The awards include the right to have stock withheld for tax purposes

2. Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 2017 Incentive Stock Program in a transaction exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3. The option becomes exercisable in annual increments of 40,795 on 02/16/2019, 40,795 on 02/16/2020, and 40,795 on 02/16/2021.

<u>John A. Berry, by power of</u>	02/2
<u>attorney for Roger Bird</u>	02/2
** Signature of Reporting Person	Date

2/21/2018

** Signature of Reporting Person

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 Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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