

BIO RAD LABORATORIES INC  
 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**  
  
 (Last) (First) (Middle)  
 C/O BIO-RAD LABORATORIES,  
 INC., 1000 ALFRED NOBEL  
 DRIVE  
  
 (Street)  
 HERCULES, CA 94547  
  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**BIO RAD LABORATORIES INC**  
**[BIO, BIO.B]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 09/08/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
 (Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Chairman of the Board

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)
Bio-Rad A Common Stock				(A)	1,404,588	D	
Bio-Rad A Common Stock				(A)	825,208	I	By GRAT
Bio-Rad A Common Stock				(A)	825,208	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. <sup>(1)</sup>
Bio-Rad B Common Stock	41,176	I	By DANSA Partners Limited <sup>(2)</sup>
Bio-Rad B Common Stock	462,890	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 (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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 <sup>(3)</sup>	09/08/2010		A	1,670	<sup>(4)</sup> <sup>(4)</sup>	Bio-Rad B Common Stock 1,670
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 84.57	09/08/2010		A	5,000	<sup>(5)</sup> 09/08/2020	Bio-Rad B Common Stock 5,000

## 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                      09/10/2010

          Signature of                      Date  
Reporting Person

## 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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Bio-Rad Class B common stock.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest over five years at 20% per year on the yearly anniversary date of the grant.
- (5) The stock option vests over five years at 20% per year on the yearly anniversary date of the grant.

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