SCHWARTZ NORMAN D
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SCHWARTZ NORMAN D

(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, BIOB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/14/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Bio-Rad A Common Stock								411,252	D	
Bio-Rad B Common Stock	12/14/2011		M		2,072	A	$ 28.88	93,869	D	
Bio-Rad B Common	12/14/2011		F		1,324	D	$ 89.31	92,545	D	

Stock			
Bio-Rad B Common Stock	12,146	I	By Spouse (1)
Bio-Rad B Common Stock	4,060,054	I	By Blue Raven Partners, L.P. (2)
Bio-Rad B Common Stock	13,726	I	By DANSA Partnership (3)

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 Underlying (Instr. 3 and
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	$ 28.88	12/14/2011		M			2,072	(4)	02/06/2012	Bio-Rad B Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SCHWARTZ NORMAN D C/O BIO-RAD LABORATORIES, INC.	X	X	CEO	

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Signatures

Norman D. Schwartz	12/15/2011
**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 reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
(2)	The shares are held by a limited partnership of which the reporting person is a limited and general partner. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
(3)	The shares are held by a limited partnership of which the reporting person is a limited partner.
(4)	The stock option vested in five equal annual installments beginning on February 6, 2003.

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