

BEECHEM JOSEPH M  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**BEECHEM JOSEPH M**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 NanoString Technologies Inc  
 [NSTG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 530 FAIRVIEW AVENUE N  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/11/2019

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 SVP, Research & Development

SEATTLE, WA 98109

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

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(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount or Price   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/11/2019                           |  | M                              |   | 3,333 A <u>1</u>  | 27,708   | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/11/2019                           |  | F                              |   | 1,032 <u>(2)</u> D \$ 29.74   | 26,676   | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/11/2019                           |  | M                              |   | 15,098 A <u>1</u>   | 41,774   | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/11/2019                           |  | F                              |   | 4,673 <u>(2)</u> D \$ 29.74   | 37,101   | 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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (3)  | 03/11/2019                           |  | M                              | 3,333   | (4) (4)  | Common Stock  | 3,333                         |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (3)  | 03/11/2019                           |  | M                              | 15,098  | (4) (4)  | Common Stock  | 15,098                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                 | Relationships |           |                             |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                     | Other |
| BEECHEM JOSEPH M<br>530 FAIRVIEW AVENUE N<br>SEATTLE, WA 98109 |               |           | SVP, Research & Development |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Shannon Atchison,  
Attorney-in-fact

03/13/2019

\*\*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) Restricted stock units ("RSUs") convert into Common Stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) The reported shares were withheld to cover the reporting person's tax liability in connection with the vesting of RSUs. The shares were not issued to or sold by the reporting person.
- (3) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one (1) share of Issuer's common stock.
- (4)

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1/3 of the RSUs vest on the first market trading day following the first anniversary of March 10, 2018 (the "RSU Vesting Commencement Date"), and 1/3 of the RSUs vest annually each year on the first market trading day after the second and third anniversary of the RSU Vesting Commencement Date.

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