

BROWN J. CHAD  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
**BROWN J. CHAD**

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)  
 03/25/2019

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

SEATTLE, WA 98109  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 23.34	03/25/2019			A		30,501		(1)	03/25/2029	Common Stock	30,501
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	03/25/2019			A		16,129		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	16,129

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BROWN J. CHAD 530 FAIRVIEW AVENUE N SEATTLE, WA 98109			SVP, Sales & Marketing	

## Signatures

/s/ Shannon Atchison,  
Attorney-in-fact

03/27/2019

\_\_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) 1/48 of the shares subject to such option shall vest on the one-month anniversary of March 13, 2019 (the "Option Vesting Commencement Date") and 1/48th of the total number of shares each monthly anniversary of the Option Vesting Commencement Date becoming fully vested on the four-year anniversary of the Option Vesting Commencement Date.
  - (2) Each restricted stock unit ("RSU") represents a contingent right to receive one (1) share of Issuer's common stock.
    - 1/3 of the RSUs vest on the first market trading day following the first anniversary of March 13, 2019 (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, in each case, subject to Participant's continuing to be a Service Provider (as defined in the 2013 Equity Incentive Plan) through each such date.

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