

COWARD D SCOTT
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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 *
COWARD D SCOTT

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O EXACT SCIENCES
CORP., 441 CHARMANY DRIVE

(Street)

MADISON, WI 53719

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

EXACT SCIENCES CORP [EXAS]

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

07/27/2017

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)

SVP and General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 60,303 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 3,363 | I | Held in 401(K) Account |

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 21.68 | 07/27/2017 ⁽¹⁾ | | A | 75,000 | 02/23/2018 ⁽²⁾ 02/23/2027 | Common Stock | 75,000 |
| Restricted Stock Units | ⁽³⁾ | 07/27/2017 ⁽⁴⁾ | | A | 51,400 | ⁽⁵⁾ ⁽⁵⁾ | Common Stock | 51,400 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| COWARD D SCOTT C/O EXACT SCIENCES CORP. 441 CHARMANY DRIVE MADISON, WI 53719 | | | SVP and General Counsel | |

Signatures

/s/ D. Scott Coward by Mark R. Busch,
attorney-in-fact

07/28/2017

__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) This option award was granted by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Exact Sciences Corporation (the "Company") on February 23, 2017, contingent upon stockholder approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Company's 2010 Omnibus Long-Term Incentive Plan (As Amended and Restated Effective April 28, 2015) (the "Plan Amendment"). The Company's stockholders approved the Plan Amendment at the Company's 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders on July 27, 2017.

(2) These options vest and become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on February 23, 2018.

(3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock.

(4) This restricted stock unit award was granted by the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors on February 23, 2017, contingent upon stockholder approval of the Plan Amendment. The Company's stockholders approved the Plan Amendment at the Company's 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders on July 27, 2017.

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(5) These restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning on February 23, 2018.

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