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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Ad	ddress of Reportin	ig r erson	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 01/09/2009 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NABI BIOPHARMACEUTICALS [NABI]							
(Last) (First) (Middle) 485 UNDERHILL BLVD STE 205				4. Relationship of Reporting Perso (Check all applicable) Director X Officer (give title below)	10% Owne Other (spe	r (Mc	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)			
(Street) SYOSSET	NY	11791-3419			,	,	1	Form filed b	y One Reporting Person y More than One erson	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)								
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					Amount of Securities eneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownersh Form: Direct or Indirect ((Instr. 5)	t (D) (Inst	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common Stock, \$.10 par value per share					1,936,900	I	By I	By Knott Partners, L.P. ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾		
Common Stock, \$.10 par value per share					1,195,500	I	By S	By Shoshone Partners, L.P. ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾		
Common Stock, \$.10 par value per share					1,837,953	I		By Knott Partners Offshore Master Fund , L.P. ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾		
Common Stock, \$.10 par value per share					81,300	I	By I	By Mulsanne Partners, L.P. ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾		
Common Stock, \$.10 par value per share					84,900	I	By I	By Managed Account A ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾		
Common Stock, \$.10 par value per share					70,400	I	By I	Managed Acco	ount B ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)										
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exercisable at Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)				ate	Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Conve		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The Reporting Person is the managing member of Knott Partners Management, LLC, which is (i) the sole general partner of Shoshone Partners, L.P., Knott Partners Offshore Master Fund, L.P., and Mulsanne Partners, L.P. and (ii) the managing general partner of Knott Partners, L.P.
- 2. The securities identified in this row are held by a managed account for which Dorset Management Corporation provides portfolio management services. The Reporting Person is the President and sole director of Dorset Management Corporation.
- 3. As a result of the Reporting Person's interests in Knott Partners Management, LLC and in Dorset Management Corporation, the Reporting Person has investment discretion and control of the securities represented in this entry. The Reporting Person may be deemed to beneficially own an indirect pecuniary interest in the securities represented in this entry as a result of its performance-related fee. Except with respect to Knott Partners, L.P., Knott Partners Offshore Master Fund, L.P., and Shoshone Partners, L.P., in which the Reporting Person owns a beneficial interest, the Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership therein except to the extent ultimately realized. Each of Knott Partners, L.P., Knott Partners Offshore Master Fund, L.P., Shoshone Partners, L.P., Mulsanne Partners, L.P., and the Managed Accounts disclaims beneficial ownership of securities reported as owned by any other partv.

s/David M. Knott 01/15/2009

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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).

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