# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

### FORM S-8

# REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 **AquaBounty Technologies, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its chart	ter)			
Delaware	04-3156167			
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)			
2 Mill & Main Place, Suite 395, Maynard, Massachusetts	01754			
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)	(Zip Code)			
AquaBounty Technologies, Inc. 2016 Equity Incent	tive Plan			
(Full Title of the Plans)				
David A. Frank				
Chief Financial Officer				
AquaBounty Technologies, Inc.				
2 Mill & Main Place, Suite 395				
Maynard, Massachusetts 01754				
(Name and address of agent for service)				
(978) 648-6000				
(Telephone number, including area code, of agent for	service)			
Copies to:				
Jocelyn M. Arel, Esq.				
Michael J. Minahan, Esq.				
Goodwin Procter LLP				
100 Northern Avenue Boston, Massachusetts 02210				
Telephone: (617) 570-1000				
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-a emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "small company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.				
Large accelerated filer $\square$ Accelerated filer $\square$				
Non-accelerated filer $\square$ Smaller reporting company $\square$				
Ex	merging growth company $ oxtimes $			
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the export revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Accounting the Securities Accounting the Securities Accounts are supplied to the Securities Accounts and the Securities Accounts are supplied to the Securities Accounts and the Securities Accounts are supplied to the Securities Accounts and the Securities Accounts are supplied to the Securities Accounts and the Securities Accounts are supplied to the Securities Accounts and the Securities Accounts are supplied to the Securities Accounts and the Securities Accounts are supplied to the Securities Accounts and the Securities Accounts are supplied to the Securities Accounts and the Securities Accounts are supplied to the Securities Accounts and the Securities Accounts are supplied to the Securities Accounts and the Securities Accounts are supplied to the Securities Accounts and the Securities Accounts are supplied to the Securities Accounts and the Securities Accounts are supplied to the Securities Accounts and the Securities Accounts are supplied to the Securities Accounts are supplied to the Securities and the Securities are supplied to the Securities are supplied to the Securities and the Securities are supplied to the Securities are supplied to the Securities and the Securit				

#### **CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

Title of Securities to be Registered	Amount to be Registered (1)	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Unit	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price	_	Amount of Registration Fee (5)
<b>AquaBounty Technologies, Inc. 2016 Equity Incentive Plan</b> Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	83,458	\$ 1.88 (2)	\$ 156,901.04	\$	20.37
	15,000	\$ 2.12 (2)	\$ 31,800.00	\$	4.13
	256,000	\$ 2.22 (2)	\$ 568,320.00	\$	73.77
	35,000	\$ 2.37 (2)	\$ 82,950.00	\$	10.77
	15,000	\$ 2.47 (2)	\$ 37,050.00	\$	4.81
	1,045,542 (3)	\$ 1.81 (4)	\$ 1,892,431.02	\$	245.64
Total	1,450,000		\$ 2,769,452.06	\$	359.47

- (1) This Registration Statement also covers, pursuant to Rule 416(c) under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act"), an indeterminate number of additional common shares ("Common Shares") of AquaBounty Technologies, Inc. (the "Registrant") that may result from subdivisions, consolidations, reclassifications, or similar transactions of the Common Shares; the payment of share dividends by the Registrant; or other relevant changes in the capital of the Registrant.
- (2) Such shares are issuable upon exercise of outstanding options with fixed exercise prices. Estimated solely for purposes of calculating the filing fee pursuant to Rule 457(h), the aggregate offering price and the fee have been computed upon the basis of the price at which the options may be exercised.
- (3) Represents Common Shares reserved for issuance pursuant to future awards under the AquaBounty Technologies, Inc. 2016 Equity Incentive Plan. Shares available for issuance under the 2016 Plan were previously registered on a registration statement on Form S-8 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on April 14, 2017 (File No. 333-217321).
- (4) Estimated solely for the purposes of determining the amount of the registration fee, pursuant to paragraphs (c) and (h) of Rule 457 under the Securities Act, on the basis of the average of the high and low sale prices of the Common Shares as reported on the NASDAQ Capital Market on May 5, 2020, a date that is within five business days prior to filing.
- (5) Calculated pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This Registration Statement on Form S-8 is filed to register an additional 1,450,000 shares of the Registrant's common stock, \$0.001 par value per share, under the Registrant's 2016 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2016 Plan"). The additional shares are of the same class as the other securities relating to the 2016 Plan for which the Registrant's registration statement on Form S-8 (File No 333-217321), filed on April 14, 2017, is effective. The information contained in the Registrant's registration statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-217321) is hereby incorporated by reference pursuant to General Instruction E.

## PART II INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

#### Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The following documents filed with the SEC by the Registrant are hereby incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement:

- The Registrant's effective Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-235919), originally filed with the SEC on January 15, 2020, as amended on February 3, 2010, and on February 10, 2020, including the description of the Registrant's common stock contained therein, and any amendment or report filed for the purposes of updating such description;
- The Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 10, 2020;
- The Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on May 5, 2020; and
- The Registrant's Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 10, 2020; April 29, 2020; and May 5, 2020.

In addition, all of the Registrant's reports filed with the SEC pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14, and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), after the date of this Registration Statement and prior to filing a post-effective amendment that indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or that deregisters all securities then remaining unsold shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such reports.

Any statement contained herein or in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained in any subsequently filed document that also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

#### Item 8. Exhibits.

The following documents are filed as exhibits to or incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement:

#### Exhibit

#### Number Description

- 3.1\* Third Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of AquaBounty Technologies, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 10, filed on November 7, 2016).
- 3.2\* Certificate of Amendment of Third Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of AquaBounty Technologies, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on January 6, 2017).
- 3.3\* Certificate of Amendment of Third Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of AquaBounty Technologies, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.3 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1, filed on January 15, 2020).
- 3.4\* Amended and Restated Bylaws of AquaBounty Technologies, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 10, filed on November 7, 2016).
- 4.1\* Specimen Certificate of Common Stock (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 10, filed on November 7, 2016).
- 5.1 Opinion of Goodwin Procter LLP.
- 10.1\* AquaBounty Technologies, Inc. 2016 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 10, filed on November 7, 2016).
- 10.2\* Amendment No. 1 to AquaBounty Technologies, Inc. 2016 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on May 2, 2019).
- 10.3\* Amendment No. 2 to AquaBounty Technologies, Inc. 2016 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on April 29, 2020).
- 10.4\* Form of Stock Option Agreement pursuant to AquaBounty Technologies, Inc. 2016 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.22 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 10, filed on December 12, 2016).

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- 10.5\* Form of Restricted Stock Agreement pursuant to AquaBounty Technologies, Inc. 2016 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.21 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 10, filed on December 12, 2016).
- 23.1 Consent of Wolf & Company, P.C.
- 23.2 Consent of Goodwin Procter LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).

<sup>\*</sup>Incorporated herein by reference as indicated.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Maynard, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on May 12, 2020.

#### AQUABOUNTY TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

Bv:

/s/ Sylvia Wulf

Sylvia Wulf

Chief Executive Officer and President

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated. In addition, each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints David A. Frank and Angela M. Olsen, and each of them singly, his or her true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place, and stead, in any and all capacities, to (1) sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this registration statement and any and all additional registration statements pursuant to Rule 462(b) of the Securities Act and (2) file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and all other documents in connection therewith, with the SEC, granting unto each such attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act in person, and hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact and agent or his or her substitute or substitutes may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Signature	Signature Title	
/s/ Sylvia Wulf	President, Chief Executive Officer, and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	May 12, 2020
Sylvia Wulf	<del></del>	_
/s/ David A. Frank	Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal	May 12, 2020
David A. Frank	Accounting Officer)	_
/s/ Richard J. Clothier	Chairman of the Board, Director	May 12, 2020
Richard J. Clothier	<del></del>	_
/s/ Alana D. Czypinski	Director	May 12, 2020
Alana D. Czypinski	<del></del>	_
/s/ Theodore J. Fisher	Director	May 12, 2020
Theodore J. Fisher		
/s/ Richard L. Huber	Director	May 12, 2020
Richard L. Huber	<del></del>	_
/s/ Christine St.Clare	Director	May 12, 2020
Christine St.Clare		
/s/ Rick Sterling	Director	May 12, 2020
Rick Sterling	<del></del>	
/s/ James C. Turk	Director	May 12, 2020
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May 12, 2020

AquaBounty Technologies, Inc. Two Mill & Main Place, Suite 395 Maynard, Massachusetts 01754

Re: Securities Being Registered under Registration Statement on Form S-8

We have acted as counsel to you in connection with your filing of a Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), on or about the date hereof relating to an aggregate of 1,450,000 shares (the "Shares") of Common Stock, \$0.001 par value per share ("Common Stock"), of AquaBounty Technologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), that may be issued pursuant to the Company's 2016 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan").

We have reviewed such documents and made such examination of law as we have deemed appropriate to give the opinions set forth below. We have relied, without independent verification, on certificates of public officials and, as to matters of fact material to the opinion set forth below, on certificates of officers of the Company.

The opinion set forth below is limited to the Delaware General Corporation Law.

For purposes of the opinion set forth below, we have assumed that no event occurs that causes the number of authorized shares of Common Stock available for issuance by the Company to be less than the number of then unissued Shares.

Based on the foregoing, we are of the opinion that the Shares have been duly authorized and, upon issuance and delivery against payment therefor in accordance with the terms of the Plan, will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

We hereby consent to the inclusion of this opinion as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement. In giving our consent, we do not admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act or the rules and regulations thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Goodwin Procter LLP

GOODWIN PROCTER LLP

### CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 of AquaBounty Technologies, Inc. of our report dated March 10, 2020, relating to the consolidated financial statements of AquaBounty Technologies, Inc., appearing in the Annual Report on Form 10-K of AquaBounty Technologies, Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2019.

/s/ Wolf & Company, P.C.

Boston, Massachusetts

May 12, 2020