

MERIDIAN BIOSCIENCE INC  
 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 \*  
**MOTTO WILLIAM J**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**MERIDIAN BIOSCIENCE INC [VIVO]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**3471 RIVER HILLS DRIVE**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**12/28/2011**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**Executive Chairman**

**CINCINNATI, OH 45244**

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount (A) or (D) Price   |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 12/28/2011                           |  | J <sup>(1)</sup>               | 217 D \$ 0  | 289,783   | I  | By LLC <sup>(4)</sup>             |
| Common Stock                    | 12/28/2011                           |  | J <sup>(2)</sup>               | 217 A \$ 0  | 56,333  | I  | By Trust                          |
| Common Stock                    | 12/28/2011                           |  | J <sup>(3)</sup>               | 537 A \$ 0  | 56,870  | I  | By Trust                          |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 40,000  | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 84,458  | I  | As Trustee For Charitable         |

Remainder  
Unitrust

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares                                       |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                    | Relationships |           |                    |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer            | Other |
| MOTTO WILLIAM J<br>3471 RIVER HILLS DRIVE<br>CINCINNATI, OH 45244 | X             |           | Executive Chairman |       |

## Signatures

/s/ William J.  
Motto 12/29/2011

\*\*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) These shares were transferred in connection with estate planning transactions.
  - (2) These shares were transferred in connection with estate planning transactions.
  - (3) These shares were received in connection with estate planning transactions.

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- (4) These shares are held by a limited liability company, of which the reporting person is Manager. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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