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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Addr Person <u>*</u> Elagin Vech		rting	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MERIDIAN BIOSCIENCE INC [VIVO]				
(Last) ((First)	(Middle)	04/21/2011	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director10% Owner OfficerOther (give title below) (specify below) VP, Research and Development			 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person 	
3471 RIVER H	Street)							
(City) (State)	(Zip)	Table I - I	Non-Derivat	ive Securiti	es Be	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	1	
Common Stock	ζ.		20,000		D	Â		
Reminder: Report owned directly or i	indirectly. Person informa require	s who resp ition conta d to respoi	ch class of securities benefic bond to the collection of ined in this form are not nd unless the form disp IB control number.	r s.	EC 1473 (7-02)		
Tah		-	ities Beneficially Owned (e	.g., puts, calls,	warrants, ont	ions, c	onvertible securities)	

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Securities U	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		Ownership	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(1)	08/03/2019	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 22.29	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(2)	08/04/2020	Common Stock	2,000	\$ 19.71	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Elagin Vecheslav A 3471 RIVER HILLS DRIVE CINCINNATI, OH 45244	Â	Â	\hat{A} VP, Research and Development	Â			

Signatures

/s/ Melissa A. Lueke as Attorney-in-Fact for Vecheslav Elagin	04/29/2011
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

* 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).
- (1) These non-qualified options were awarded under the 2004 Equity Compensation Plan and vest 25% on each of August 3, 2010, August 3, 2011, August 3, 2012 and August 3, 2013.
- (2) These non-qualified options were awarded under the 2004 Equity Compensation Plan and vest 25% on each of August 4, 2011, August 4, 2012, August 4, 2013 and August 4, 2014.

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