

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 \*  
**KRAEUTLER JOHN A**

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)  
 10/03/2016

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Chairman and CEO

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)                 |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                | (A)<br>or<br>(D)  | 732   | I  | Held in Meridian Savings & Investment Plan (401K) |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                | (A)<br>or<br>(D)  | 311,683   | D  |   |

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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Options (Right to Buy)               | \$ 19.09   | 10/03/2016                           |  | A                              | 50,000<br>(1)   | 09/30/2017<br>(2)  | Common Stock  | 50,000                        |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy)               | \$ 19.09   | 10/03/2016                           |  | A                              | 50,000<br>(3)   | 09/30/2018<br>(4)  | Common Stock  | 50,000                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                     | Relationships |           |                  |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer          | Other |
| KRAEUTLER JOHN A<br>3471 RIVER HILLS DRIVE<br>CINCINNATI, OH 45244 | X             |           | Chairman and CEO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Melissa A. Lueke as Attorney-in-fact for John A. Kraeutler

10/05/2016

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).

- This award is made under the 2012 Stock Incentive Plan pursuant to Mr. Kraeutler's Third Amended and Restated Employment Agreement dated October 3, 2016. The options vest in full (or 100%) on September 30, 2017 so long as Mr. Kraeutler is employed by Meridian on such date.
- These options expire three years from the date of Mr. Kraeutler's retirement.
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Meridian on such date.

- (4) These options expire three years from the date of Mr. Kraeutler's retirement.

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