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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement MERIDIAN BIOSCIENCE INC [VIVO] Johnson Marviette D. (Month/Day/Year) 04/21/2011 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 3471 RIVER HILLS DRIVE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person CINCINNATI. OHÂ 45244 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One VP, Human Resources Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) **Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned** 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock 19,011 (1) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible 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)		5. Ownership Form of Derivative	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)	11/14/2010	11/15/2016	Common Stock	750	\$ 16.554	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(2)	11/12/2019	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 22.5	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
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Johnson Marviette D. 3471 RIVER HILLS DRIVE CINCINNATI, OH 45244	Â	Â	VP, Human Resources	Â		

Signatures

/s/ Melissa A. Lueke as Attorney-in-Fact for Marviette
Johnson

04/29/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) Includes 11 shares acquired under the Company's employee stock purchase program.
- (2) These non-qualified options were awarded under the 2004 Equity Compensation Plan and vest 25% on each of November 12, 2010, November 12, 2011, November 12, 2012 and November 12, 2013.

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