

INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC

Form 4

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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 *
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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC
[ISRG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1020 KIFER ROAD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/16/2016

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)
VP & Principal Accounting Offi

SUNNYVALE, CA 94086

(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	02/17/2016		M		244	A	\$ 0 (1)
Common Stock	02/17/2016		F		92	D	\$ 0 (1)
Common Stock	02/18/2016		M		261	A	\$ 0 (2)
Common Stock	02/18/2016		F		99	D	\$ 0 (2)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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On 2/17/15, RSU shares were granted, vesting 25% per year over a four year period. RSUs convert into common stock on the grant date on a one-for-one basis. On 2/17/16, 25% of the shares were released and a portion of the shares were held back to cover the statutory tax withholding requirement. The net shares were deposited into the holders account

(2) On 2/18/14, RSU shares were granted, vesting 25% per year over a four year period. RSUs convert into common stock on the grant date on a one-for-one basis. On 2/18/16, 25% of the shares were released and a portion of the shares were held back to cover the statutory tax withholding requirement. The net shares were deposited into the holders account

(3) Non-statutory stock option granted pursuant to the 2010 Employee Stock Option Plan. The option vests 1/8th six months after the date of grant and 1/48th monthly thereafter.

(4) Each Restricted Stock Unit, granted pursuant to the 2010 Employee Stock Option Plan, represents a contingent right to receive one share of Intuitive Surgical common stock. The grant vests 25% on the first anniversary of the date of grant and annually thereafter, over a four year period of time.

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