

DISHMAN ROBERT A  
 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 \*  
 DISHMAN ROBERT A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 HARVARD BIOSCIENCE INC  
 [HBIO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 84 OCTOBER HILL ROAD  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 06/04/2012

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

HOLLISTON, MA 01746  
 (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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	06/01/2012		A	8,403	A \$ 0	8,403 <sup>(1)</sup>	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)**

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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 option (right to buy)	\$ 3.57	06/01/2012		A	16,100	(2) 06/01/2022	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	16,100

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DISHMAN ROBERT A 84 OCTOBER HILL ROAD HOLLISTON, MA 01746			X	

## Signatures

Thomas  
McNaughton  
Date: 06/04/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## 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) Includes deferred stock award of 8,403 restricted stock units which vest in equal installments on June 1, 2013; June 1, 2014 and June 1, 2015.
  - (2) The options vest in three equal installments on June 1, 2013, 2014 and 2015.

### Remarks:

This form has been signed under power of attorney.

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