

THERMO FISHER SCIENTIFIC INC.  
Form 8-K  
March 14, 2012

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report

(Date of earliest event reported):

March 13, 2012

**THERMO FISHER SCIENTIFIC INC.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**1-8002**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**04-2209186**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

**81 Wyman Street**  
**Waltham, Massachusetts**  
(Address of principal executive offices)  
**(781) 622-1000**

**02451**  
(Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

Election of Director

On March 13, 2012, by vote of the Board of Directors of Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc. (the Company), C. Martin Harris was elected a director of the Company, effective March 30, 2012. Dr. Harris was appointed to the Company's Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee.

Dr. Harris is the chief information officer and chairman of the information technology division of Cleveland Clinic in Ohio, one of the nation's largest hospitals. Additionally, he is responsible for strategic business planning for Cleveland Clinic.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized, on this 14th day of March, 2012.

THERMO FISHER SCIENTIFIC INC.

By: /s/ Seth H. Hoogasian  
Seth H. Hoogasian  
Senior Vice President, General Counsel and  
Secretary