

Lukianov Alexis V
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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 *
 Lukianov Alexis V

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NUVASIVE INC [NUVA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 7475 LUSK BLVD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/01/2013

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

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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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 or Price		
Common Stock	03/01/2013		A		120,898 <u>(1)</u>	A	\$ 0 120,898 D
Common Stock	03/01/2013		A		106,042 <u>(2)</u>	A	\$ 0 106,042 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Lukianov Alexis V 7475 LUSK BLVD SAN DIEGO, CA 92121	X		Chairman & CEO	

Signatures

/s/ Jason M. Hannon, Attorney-in-Fact for Alexis V. Lukianov

03/05/2013

__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).

(1) On February 13, 2012, the reporting person received performance restricted stock unit awards (the "PRSUs") to vest only upon satisfaction of certain performance criteria for fiscal year 2012. On March 1, 2013, the Issuer's Compensation Committee determined that all of the performance criteria associated with the PRSUs had been satisfied. Accordingly, 1/3 of the reported shares subject to the PRSUs shall vest on each of March 1, 2013, March 1, 2014 and March 1, 2015.

(2) Represents an award of Restricted Stock Units that vest in 3 equal installments beginning on February 1, 2014.

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