

INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC

Form 4

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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 *
SMITH LONNIE M

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)
1266 KIFER ROAD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/01/2012

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman of the Board

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or Price (D)		
Common Stock	02/01/2012		G		55	D	\$ 0 (1) 291,495 D
Common Stock	02/01/2012		G		55	D	\$ 0 (2) 291,440 D
Common Stock	02/01/2012		G		55	D	\$ 0 (3) 291,385 D
Common Stock	02/01/2012		G		55	D	\$ 0 (4) 291,330 D
Common Stock	02/01/2012		G		55	D	\$ 0 (5) 291,275 D

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Common Stock 95,681 I by Trust

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 Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITH LONNIE M 1266 KIFER ROAD SUNNYVALE, CA 94086	X		Chairman of the Board	

Signatures

Lonnie M. Smith 02/13/2012
 **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) These shares were gifted from the account of Lonnie Smith & Cheryl Smith, Community Property to Catherine Smith Howell ACF Elizabeth Diane Howell U/MN/UTMA.
- (2) These shares were gifted from the account of Lonnie Smith & Cheryl Smith, Community Property to Catherine Smith Howell ACF Colton J. Howell U/MN/UTMA.

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- (3) These shares were gifted from the account of Lonnie Smith & Cheryl Smith, Community Property to Rebecca S. Eggleston ACF Brooks D. Eggleston U/CO/UTMA.
- (4) These shares were gifted from the account of Lonnie Smith & Cheryl Smith, Community Property to Maryam Smith Keyser ACF Elizabeth Cade S. Keyser U/TX/UTMA.
- (5) These shares were gifted from the account of Lonnie Smith & Cheryl Smith, Community Property to Michael Smith ACF Weston Davis Smithl U/CA/UTMA.

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