

THERMO FISHER SCIENTIFIC INC.  
Form 8-K  
March 27, 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 23, 2012**

**THERMO FISHER SCIENTIFIC INC.**

**(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)**

**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)**

**02451**  
**(Zip Code)**  
**(781) 622-1000**

**(Registrant's telephone number including area code)**

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

(b) On March 23, 2012, Michael Porter, a director of Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc. (the Company), informed the Company that he is resigning from the Board of Directors of the Company effective immediately prior to the Company's 2012 Annual Meeting on May 23, 2012. Dr. Porter was first elected to the Board in July 2001. Dr. Porter was a member of the Nominating and Corporate Governance and Strategy and Finance Committees of the Board of Directors.

**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 27th day of March, 2012.

**THERMO FISHER SCIENTIFIC INC.**

By: /s/ Seth H. Hoogasian  
Seth H. Hoogasian

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and  
Secretary