

ORGANOVO HOLDINGS, INC.  
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 \*  
**HOWSON TAMAR D**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**ORGANOVO HOLDINGS, INC.  
[ONVO]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**08/17/2016**

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

**6275 NANCY RIDGE DRIVE,  
SUITE 110**

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**SAN DIEGO, CA 92121**

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 (A) or (D) Price   |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>     | 08/17/2016                           |  | A                              | V 7,500 <sub>(2)</sub> A \$ 0 7,500                               |   | 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) <sup>(1)</sup> | \$ 4.35  | 08/17/2016                           |  | A                              | 18,500  | <sup>(3)</sup> 08/17/2025                                | Common Stock  | 18,500                        |

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

HOWSON TAMAR D  
6275 NANCY RIDGE DRIVE, SUITE 110    X  
SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

## Signatures

/s/ Tamar

Howson

08/19/2016

          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) Annual long-term equity award issued pursuant to the Issuer's non-employee director compensation plan.

The shares represent a grant of Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs"). The RSUs represent a right to receive shares of the Issuer's common stock, at no additional conversion or exercise price. The RSUs vest and settle in full on the earlier of (i) August 15, 2017 or (ii) immediately prior to the Issuer's next annual stockholder meeting.

(3) The option shares vest and become exercisable in full on the earlier of (i) August 15, 2017 or (ii) immediately prior to the Issuer's next annual stockholder meeting.

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