

HEMISPHERX BIOPHARMA INC
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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 *
 STRAYER DAVID R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 HEMISPHERX BIOPHARMA INC
 [HEB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 918 ROCK CREEK ROAD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 05/15/2016

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Chief Science/Medical Officer

BRYN MAWR, PA 19010
 (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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Rights ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0	05/15/2016	A	24,203					11/15/2016	11/15/2016	Common Stock	24,203

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STRAYER DAVID R 918 ROCK CREEK ROAD BRYN MAWR, PA 19010			Chief Science/Medical Officer	

Signatures

David R. Strayer 05/16/2016
 **Signature of Date
 Reporting Person

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).
 Issued pursuant to the Hemispherx Biopharma Inc 2016 voluntary incentive stock award plan. Pursuant to the plan, the reporting person has elected to withhold a portion of their salary in exchange for the incentive right. The incentive right grants the reporting person the (1) right to receive a number of shares of common stock based upon the market price on the day prior to election. The incentive right automatically converts to common stock on the date exercisable. The plan is described in the Issuer's annual 10K report for the year ended 12/31/15.

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