FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* HOOVER R DAVID					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LILLY ELI & CO [LLY]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
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(Last) (First) (Middle) LILLY CORPORATE CENTER					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/30/2011									belov			below)		
(Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46285					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									lividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				on
(City)	(Sta	ate) (2	Zip)												Pers	on			
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)				Execution Date			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquii Disposed Of (D) (In 5)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
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Common Stock 12/30/				/2011		A		248 A \$		\$40.74	17,788		D						
	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)	rivative Conversion Date Execution Date, curity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of E		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title Amour Securi Under Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties ying tive	Der Sed (Ins	rice of ivative curity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

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01/03/2012

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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).

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