

ORTHOPIX INTERNATIONAL N V  
 Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

|   |         |                                      |  |  |
|---|---------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *       |         | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol      |  |
| Â SIMPSON MICHAEL                               |         | (Month/Day/Year)                     | ORTHOPIX INTERNATIONAL N V [OFIX]                |  |
| (Last)  | (First) | (Middle)                             | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                   |
|   |         | 01/17/2008                           |  |  |
| C/O ORTHOFIX INC,Â 10115 KINCEY AVENUE, STE 250 |         |                                      | (Check all applicable)                           |  |
| (Street)  |         |                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Director                | <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner                                     |
|   |         |                                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer      | <input type="checkbox"/> Other   |
|   |         |                                      | (give title below)                               | (specify below)  |
|   |         |                                      | President, Orthofix Inc.                         |  |
|   |         |                                      |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)             |
|   |         |                                      |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
|   |         |                                      |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |
| HUNTERSVILLE,Â NCÂ 28078                        |         |                                      |  |  |
| (City)  | (State) | (Zip)                                |  |  |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)  | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|----------------------------------|---|--|---|
| No securities beneficially owned | 0   | D  | Â   |

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|---|--|--|---|
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|                             | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date |              | Amount or Number of Shares |          | or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) |   |
|-----------------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|----------|----------------------------|---|
| Stock Option (right to buy) | Â (1)            | 08/06/2013      | Common Stock | 4,500                      | \$ 32.18 | D                          | Â |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | Â (1)            | 12/02/2014      | Common Stock | 7,000                      | \$ 37.76 | D                          | Â |
| Stock option (right to buy) | Â (2)            | 06/30/2015      | Common Stock | 7,000                      | \$ 43.04 | D                          | Â |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | Â (2)            | 06/30/2016      | Common Stock | 20,000                     | \$ 38.11 | D                          | Â |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | Â (2)            | 06/29/2017      | Common Stock | 22,300                     | \$ 44.97 | D                          | Â |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                               |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                       | Other |
| SIMPSON MICHAEL<br>C/O ORTHOFIX INC<br>10115 KINCEY AVENUE, STE 250<br>HUNTERSVILLE, NC 28078 | Â             | Â         | Â President,<br>Orthofix Inc. | Â     |

## Signatures

/s/Emily Buxton, by power of attorney 01/29/2008

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) The option is currently exercisable.
- (2) The option vests with respect to thirty three and one-third percent (33 1/3%) of the shares covered thereby on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the grant date.

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### Remarks:

ExhibitÂ List

ExhibitÂ 24Â -Â PowerÂ ofÂ Attorney

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