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):

May 11, 2007

THERMO FISHER SCIENTIFIC INC. (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) incorporation or organization)

1-8002

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

04-2209186

81 Wyman Street, P.O. Box 9046 Waltham, Massachusetts (Address of principal executive offices)

02454-9046 (Zip Code)

(781) 622-1000 (Registrant's telephone number including area code)

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

On May 11, 2007, the Board of Directors of Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc. (the "Board") elected Jim Manzi, a current director, as Chairman of the Board, effective immediately. Mr. Manzi will receive annual cash compensation of \$250,000 for his service as Chairman, in lieu of the annual retainer and meeting fees that he had previously been receiving for his service as a director.

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 14th day of May, 2007.

THERMO FISHER SCIENTIFIC INC.

By: /s/ Seth H. Hoogasian

Seth H. Hoogasian Senior Vice President, General Counsel and

Secretary