

Lotz Mark W
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting
Person *

Lotz Mark W

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

4350 LA JOLLA VILLAGE
DRIVE, SUITE 950

(Street)

SAN DIEGO, CA 92122

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring
Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

01/28/2005

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MEDICINOVA INC [4875 OSE]

4. Relationship of Reporting
Person(s) to Issuer

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

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer ____ Other
(give title below) (specify below)
V.P., Regulatory Affairs

6. Individual or Joint/Group
Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting
Person
____ Form filed by More than One
Reporting Person

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)

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)

Date
Exercisable

Expiration
Date

3. Title and Amount of
Securities Underlying
Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

Title

Amount or
Number of
Shares

4. Conversion
or Exercise
Price of
Derivative
Security

5. Ownership
Form of
Derivative
Security:
Direct (D)
or Indirect
(I)

6. Nature of Indirect
Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 5)

(Instr. 5)

Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	02/01/2014	Common Stock	72,000	\$ 1	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	05/31/2014	Common Stock	48,000	\$ 1	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Lotz Mark W 4350 LA JOLLA VILLAGE DRIVE, SUITE 950 SAN DIEGO,, CA 92122	Â	Â	Â V.P., Regulatory Affairs	Â

Signatures

/s/ Takashi Kiyozumi, as
attorney-in-fact

01/28/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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- (1) The option shall vest as follows: (i) 25% of the shares underlying the option shall vest and become exercisable on the first anniversary of the grant date and (ii) the remaining 75% of the shares underlying the option shall vest and become exercisable monthly thereafter.

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Remarks:

ExhibitÂ List:

ExhibitÂ 24.1Â -Â PowerÂ ofÂ Attorney

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *See* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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