

CLARKSON JOHN G  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
CLARKSON JOHN G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NOVEN PHARMACEUTICALS INC [NOVN]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/20/2009

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

C/O NOVEN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 11960 SW 144TH STREET

(Street)

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

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

MIAMI, FL 33186

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock (\$ .0001 par value)	08/20/2009		U	23,259 (1)	\$ 16.5	D	9,120 (2)

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 (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title or Number of Shares		

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CLARKSON JOHN G  
C/O NOVEN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.  
11960 SW 144TH STREET  
MIAMI, FL 33186

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## Signatures

/s/ John G. Clarkson,  
M.D. 08/21/2009

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

## 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).
  - (1) Due to a clerical error on the reporting person's Form 4 filed September 10, 2001 (the "Original Form 4"), the reporting person's share ownership was overstated by 3 shares on the Original Form 4 (which should have reported 325 shares rather than 328 shares) and subsequent Form 4's filed in each of 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009. In addition, due to an error by the reporting person's brokerage account administrator, in August 2008 these 325 shares were sold by the administrator without instruction from the reporting person or notification to either the reporting person or the issuer, thereby causing the reporting person's share ownership to be overstated by an additional 325 shares in the Form 4 filed on May 27, 2009.
  - (2) Represents shares of restricted stock which became fully vested upon the change of control of Noven Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ("Noven") at the time a subsidiary of Hisamitsu Pharmaceutical Co., Inc. ("Hisamitsu") commenced payment for shares of Noven common stock pursuant to an Agreement and Plan of Merger among Noven, Hisamitsu and certain wholly-owned subsidiaries of Hisamitsu, dated as of July 14, 2009.

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