

PRYGOCKI MARK A SR  
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 \*  
PRYGOCKI MARK A SR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
MEDICIS PHARMACEUTICAL CORP [MRX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
7720 N. DOBSON RD.  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
05/15/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director  
\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below) EVP,COO

SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85256

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	05/15/2009		M		8,047 (1) \$ 11	D	
Common Stock	05/15/2009		M		4,906 (2) \$ 11	D	
Common Stock	05/15/2009		S		8,047 \$ 15	D	
Common Stock	05/15/2009		S		674 \$ 15.02	D	
Common Stock	05/15/2009		S		332 \$ 15.03	D	

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Common Stock	05/15/2009	S	500	D	\$ 15.04	235,020	D
Common Stock	05/15/2009	S	100	D	\$ 15.0405	234,920	D
Common Stock	05/15/2009	S	100	D	\$ 15.0412	234,820	D
Common Stock	05/15/2009	S	400	D	\$ 15.05	234,420	D
Common Stock	05/15/2009	S	100	D	\$ 15.0505	234,320	D
Common Stock	05/15/2009	S	600	D	\$ 15.06	233,720	D
Common Stock	05/15/2009	S	100	D	\$ 15.065	233,620	D

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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Employee Stock Option	\$ 11	05/15/2009		M	8,047	07/29/2004	07/29/2009	Common Stock	8,047
Employee Stock Option	\$ 11	05/15/2009		M	4,906	07/29/2004	07/29/2009	Common Stock	4,906

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PRYGOCKI MARK A SR 7720 N. DOBSON RD. SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85256			EVP,COO	

## Signatures

Mark Prygocki,Sr.	05/18/2009
<u>    </u> 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) Exercised stock options were scheduled to expire on July 29, 2009.
- (2) Exercised stock options were scheduled to expire on July 29, 2009.

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