

MEDICIS PHARMACEUTICAL CORP  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
 SHACKELFORD LOTTIE H

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)  
 8125 N. HAYDEN ROAD  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/20/2008

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

SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85258  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

**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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |     |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code  | V  | Amount                            | (D) | Price |

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 | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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|                              | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A)    | (D) | Date        | Expiration | Title        | Amo         |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|---|------|---|--------|-----|-------------|------------|--------------|-------------|
|                              |                              |                  |            |   |      |   |        |     | Exercisable | Date       |              | or Num of S |
| Non-Employee Director Option | \$ 22.79                     | 05/20/2008       |            |   | A    |   | 15,000 |     | (1)         | 05/20/2015 | Common Stock | 15,         |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                      | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SHACKELFORD LOTTIE H<br>8125 N. HAYDEN ROAD<br>SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85258 |               |           |         |       |

## Signatures

Lottie H  
Shackelford  
05/22/2008

\_\_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).
- Date Exercisable is upon the earlier of 5-20-09 or the next annual meeting at which one or more members of the Board are standing for (1) re-election, subject in either case to the Non-Employee Director's continued service on the Board through such date. Projected annual meeting date is May 2009.

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