Matsuda Kazuko Form 4 April 26, 2013

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Matsuda Kazuko

> (First) (Middle)

4275 EXECUTIVE SQUARE, SUITE 650

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

MEDICINOVA INC [MNOV]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/14/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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(Check all applicable)

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

Chief Medical Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial (T) (Instr. 4)

Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of Derivative Security

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

or Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

(A)

Code V

(D) Date Expire Exercisable Date

Expiration Title

or Number

Stock

Buy)

Option (Right to

\$ 2.46 06/14/2012

A 56,250

06/14/2012 08/02/2021

Common Stock

56,250

Amount

of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

Matsuda Kazuko

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LA JOLLA, CA 92037

Chief Medical Officer

Signatures

/s/ Matsuda Kazuko

04/25/2013

**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).

On August 3, 2011, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 75,000 shares of common stock, subject to the satisfaction of (1) certain performance criteria. On June 14, 2012, the Compensation Committee of the Board determined that certain of the performance criteria had been met, resulting in the vesting of 75% of the option, or 56,250 shares. The remaining 25% of the option did not vest.

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