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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549								N OMB Number:	3235-0287	
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(Print or Type Resp	oonses)									
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> DIAMOND STUART			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.			3. Date of Earliest Transaction			Director Difficer (giv below)	Officer (give title Other (specify			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 				
(City)		(Zip)					Person			
1.Title of 2. T Security (Mo (Instr. 3)	(State) Transaction Date onth/Day/Year)	Execution any (Month/Da	ed Date, if ay/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) Code V	4. Securit nAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 Amount	(A) or of (D) and 5) (A) or (D) Price	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	of, or Beneficia 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect	
Reminder: Report of	on a separate line	e for each cl	ass of sec	urities bene	Perso inform requir	ns who res nation cont ed to resp ys a curre	or indirectly. spond to the colle tained in this form ond unless the for ntly valid OMB co	are not rm	SEC 1474 (9-02)	

 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amou
Derivative Security	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orDerivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securi
(Instr. 3)	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)

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	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquire or Dispo (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)	sed of				
				Code V	7 (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of S
Non-Employee Director Option	\$ 15.89	05/19/2009		А	15,000)	<u>(1)</u>	05/19/2016	Common Stock	15,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Addr	ess	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other					
DIAMOND STUART 7720 N. DOBSON RD. SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85256									
Signatures									
Stuart Diamond	05/20/2009								
<u>**Signature of</u> 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 5-19-10 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 2010.

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