IPPOLITO VINCENT P

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

Name and Address of Reporting Person IPPOLITO VINCENT P	Symbol MEDICIS PHARMACEUTICAL	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 7720 N. DOBSON RD.	CORP [MRX] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/13/2011	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) EVP, Sales & Marketing			
(Street) SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85256	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 Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ole I - Non-	-Derivative	Secur	ities Acquire	ed, Disposed of, o	or Beneficially	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie orDisposed o (Instr. 3, 4	f (D)	uired (A) or	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)
Common Stock	05/13/2011		M	45,000	A	\$ 25.1	225,626	D	
Common Stock	05/13/2011		M	40,000	A	\$ 29.2	265,626	D	
Common Stock	05/13/2011		M	15,000	A	\$ 32.41	280,626	D	
Common Stock	05/13/2011		S	114,356 (1)	D	\$ 36.8752	166,270	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 orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 25.1	05/13/2011		M		45,000	01/08/2004	01/08/2013	Common Stock	45,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 29.2	05/13/2011		M		40,000	07/31/2004	07/31/2013	Common Stock	40,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 32.41	05/13/2011		M		15,000	07/21/2006	07/21/2015	Common Stock	15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

IPPOLITO VINCENT P 7720 N. DOBSON RD. SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85256

EVP, Sales & Marketing

Signatures

Vincent P. 05/17/2011 Ippolito

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

Date

- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$36.65 to \$37.09, inclusive.

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