
**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 28, 2015

MEDICINOVA, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-33185
(Commission
File Number)

33-0927979
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**4275 Executive Square, Suite 650
La Jolla, CA 92037**
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (858) 373-1500

Not Applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On April 28, 2015, Kousuke Nakata, a member of the Board of Directors of MediciNova, Inc. (the "Company"), formally advised the Company that Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. had determined not to have him stand for re-election when his current term expires at the 2015 annual meeting of stockholders. Kissei's decision is not due to any disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to the Company's operations, policies or practices.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

MEDICINOVA, INC.

Dated: April 28, 2015

By: /s/ Yuichi Iwaki
Yuichi Iwaki, M.D., Ph.D.
President and Chief Executive Officer
