FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Ishizaka Yoshio</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MEDICINOVA INC [MNOV]								Relationship eck all applic X Directo	cable)	g Pers	on(s) to Issu 10% Ow		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O MEDICINOVA, INC.						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/09/2016								Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify	
4275 EXECUTIVE SQUARE, SUITE 650						If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street) LA JOLLA CA 92037													X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transar Date (Month/Date)						Execution Da			r, Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 45)			Beneficia Owned F	es Forn ally (D) o following (I) (Ir		Direct of Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code V	/ Ar	mount	(A) oi (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3	ion(s)		1	(Instr. 4)	
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. Deeme Execution if if any (Month/Day	Date,	Code (of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		and	7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	illy	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expir Date	ration	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$6.64	06/09/2016			A		20,000		(1)	06/09	9/2026	Common Stock	20,000	\$0	20,000)	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. The option vests in four equal installments on September 30, 2016, December 31, 2016, March 31, 2017 and June 30, 2017, subject to continued service with the Company.

/s/ Yuichi Iwaki, attorney-in**fact**

06/13/2016

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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