BENITO SIMON X

Form 4 June 26, 2008

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

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subject to Section 16. Form 4 or

Form 5 obligations may continue.

See Instruction

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

DURECT CORP [DRRX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BENITO SIMON X**

(First)

(Middle)

2 RESULTS WAY

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year) 06/25/2008

Symbol

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

OMB

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(Instr. 4)

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Indirect

Person

5. Amount of

Securities

Following

Owned

Beneficially

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

(City) (State)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

Security (Instr. 3)

CUPERTINO, CA 95014

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4 Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative **Expiration Date** Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3) Price of (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

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7. Title and Ar

Underlying Se

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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Derivative or Disposed of Security (D)

(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Title

Date

Non-Qualified

Stock Option \$ 4 (right to buy)

6.4 06/25/2008

A 20,000

06/24/2009<u>(1)</u> 06/25/2018

Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BENITO SIMON X 2 RESULTS WAY CUPERTINO, CA 95014

X

Signatures

Simon X Benito 06/26/2008

**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) 100% of the total shares of this Grant Dated June 25, 2008 shall vest on the day before the first year anniversary of the Grant Date.

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