

MEDICINOVA INC  
Form 8-K  
January 12, 2009

**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): January 12, 2009

**MEDICINOVA, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-33185**  
(Commission

**33-0927979**  
(IRS Employer

File Number)  
**4350 La Jolla Village Drive, Suite 950**

Identification No.)

**San Diego, CA 92122**

(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)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

.. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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- “ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.**

Representatives of MediciNova, Inc. (the Registrant ) will be attending the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual JPMorgan Healthcare Conference commencing January 12, 2009. A copy of the slide presentation to be used by the Registrant at investor meetings during this conference is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report.

The information in this Current Report, including Exhibit 99.1 furnished herewith, is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for any purpose, including for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Current Report shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing to this Current Report.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

**(d) Exhibits.**

<b>Exhibit</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Slide presentation of the Registrant

**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: January 12, 2009

By: /s/ Shintaro Asako  
Shintaro Asako

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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