

MEDICIS PHARMACEUTICAL CORP
Form 8-K
July 12, 2010

**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

July 8, 2010

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

Medicis Pharmaceutical Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State of Incorporation)

001-14471
(Commission File Number)

52-1574808
(IRS Employer
Identification Number)

7720 North Dobson Road
Scottsdale, Arizona 85256
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(602) 808-8800
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(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 8.01 Other Events.

The Company Amends its Complaints against Mylan Inc. and Matrix Laboratories Ltd. and Barr Laboratories, Inc. and Teva Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc.

On July 8, 2010, Medicis Pharmaceutical Corporation (the Company) amended its patent infringement complaint against Mylan Inc. and its majority owned subsidiary Matrix Laboratories Ltd. (together, Matrix) in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware relating to Matrix's filing of an Abbreviated New Drug Application (ANDA) for generic SOLODYN[®] in its forms of 45mg, 90mg and 135mg strengths. On July 9, 2010, the Company amended its patent infringement complaint against Barr Laboratories, Inc. and its parent company Teva Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc. (together, Barr) in the United States District Court for the District of Maryland relating to Barr's filing of an ANDA for generic SOLODYN[®] in its forms of 65mg and 115mg strengths. The Company amended the complaints to assert new claims 19, 21, 23, 25 and 27-34 included in the Reexamination Certificate received by the Company from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on June 1, 2010 in connection with the USPTO's reexamination of U.S. Patent No. 5,908,838 (the 838 Patent) related to the Company's acne medication SOLODYN[®]. The complaints seek an adjudication that Matrix and Barr have infringed one or more claims of the 838 Patent, including the new claims, by submitting the ANDAs to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

SIGNATURES

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

Medicis Pharmaceutical Corporation

Date: July 12, 2010

By: /s/ Jason D. Hanson
Jason D. Hanson
Executive Vice President, Chief
Operating Officer, Acting General
Counsel and Corporate Secretary