MEDICINOVA INC

Form 4

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **OBrien Geoffrey**

(Middle)

4275 EXECUTIVE SQUARE, SUITE 650

(Street)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

MEDICINOVA INC [MNOV]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

12/04/2014

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

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

below) Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

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

LA JOLLA, CA 92037

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

Execution Date, if

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (T) (Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) (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 Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8		Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun Numbe Shares
Employee Stock option (right to buy)	\$ 2.64	12/04/2014		A		105,000		12/04/2014	12/11/2023	Common Stock	105,0
Employee Stock option (right to buy)	\$ 3.24	12/04/2014		A		15,000		(2)	12/03/2024	Common Stock	15,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner Officer		Other				
OBrien Geoffrey								
4275 EXECUTIVE SQUARE			Vice					
SUITE 650			President					
LA JOLLA, CA 92037								

Signatures

Reporting Person

/s/ Geoffrey
O'Brien

**Signature of
Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- On December 12, 2013, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 105,000 shares of common stock. The option vests based (1) on MNOV's satisfaction of certain performance criteria by December 31, 2014. The performance criteria has been met, resulting in full vesting of the option.
- (2) The option vests over a period of 3 years in equal monthly installments from the 12-04-2014 date of grant.

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