

MEDICINOVA INC  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.			10/13/2011	MEDICINOVA INC [MNOV]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
19-48, YOSHINO, MATSUMOTO-CITY					
	(Street)			(Check all applicable)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
NAGANO-PREFECTURE,Â M0Â 399-8710				___ Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		___ Officer ___ Other (give title below) (specify below)	___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock (\$0.001 par value)	800,000	D	Â

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	

		Shares			(I) (Instr. 5)
Series B Convertible Preferred Stock (\$0.001 par value)	10/13/2011 <sup>(1)</sup> $\hat{A}$ <sup>(1)</sup>	Common Stock (\$0.001 par value)	2,200,000	\$ 2.5	D $\hat{A}$

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. 19-48, YOSHINO, MATSUMOTO-CITY NAGANO-PREFECTURE, $\hat{A}$ M0 $\hat{A}$ 399-8710	$\hat{A}$	$\hat{A}$ X	$\hat{A}$	$\hat{A}$

## Signatures

/s/ Hiroe Sato, as Senior Director 10/18/2011

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).
- (1) (1) The Reporting Person holds 220,000 shares of Series B Convertible Preferred Stock, which is convertible at any time at the election of the Reporting Person, into 2,200,000 shares of the Issuer's common stock.

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