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MEDICIS PHARMACEUTICAL CORP Form 8-K January 14, 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 January 13, 2009

> Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) Medicis Pharmaceutical Corporation

> (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-14471 52-1574808

(State of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (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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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On January 13, 2009, Medicis Pharmaceutical Corporation (Medicis) filed suit against Mylan, Inc., Matrix Laboratories Ltd., Matrix Laboratories Inc., Sandoz, Inc. and Barr Laboratories, Inc. (collectively Defendants) in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware seeking an adjudication that Defendants have infringed one or more claims of Medicis U.S. Patent No. 5,908,838 (the 838 Patent) by submitting to the Food And Drug Administration their respective Abbreviated New Drug Applications for generic versions of SOLODYN®. The relief requested by Medicis includes a request for a permanent injunction preventing Defendants from infringing the 838 patent by selling generic versions of SOLODYN®.

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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.

Date: January 14, 2009

By: /s/ Jason D. Hanson
Jason D. Hanson

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

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