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 7, 2008

MEDICINOVA, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

001-33185 (Commission File Number) 33-0927979 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

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)

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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 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

Representatives of MediciNova, Inc. (the Registrant) will be attending the \(^12\)Annual JPMorgan Healthcare Conference commencing January 7, 2008. A copy of the slide presentation to be used by the Registrant at one-on-one investor meetings to be held during this conference is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

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 a filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Slide Presentation of the Registrant.

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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.

Dated: January 7, 2008

MEDICINOVA, INC.

By: /s/ Shintaro Asako Shintaro Asako Chief Financial Officer

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