MERCK & CO INC Form 8-K October 26, 2004

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 Re	ported):	October 21, 2	2004

Merck & Co., Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New Jersey	1-3305	22-1109110	
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.	
One Merck Drive, P.O. Box 100, Whitehouse Station, New Jersey		08889	
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)	
Registrant s telephone number, including area code:		908-423-1000	
	Not Applicable		
Former name or form	er address, if changed since last report		

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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On October 21, 2004, the Committee on Corporate Governance of the Board of Directors of the Registrant amended the Registrant's Plan for Deferred Payment of Directors' Compensation (the "Plan"). A copy of the amended Plan is attached as Exhibit 10 to this Report.

The Plan has been amended to provide for (1) the addition of an annual retainer for members of the Audit Committee which retainer may be voluntarily deferred in accordance with the terms of the Plan; and (2) a quarterly schedule for the deferral of Audit Committee member retainers, and Board and Board Committee meeting fees under the Plan.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit 10 - Merck & Co., Inc. Plan for Deferred Payment of Directors' Compensation (amended and restated October 1, 2004)

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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.

Merck & Co., Inc.

October 26, 2004 By: /s/ Debra A. Bollwage

Name: Debra A. Bollwage Title: Assistant Secretary

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Exhibit No.	Description
10	Merck & Co., Inc. Plan for Deferred Payment of Directors' Compensation (amended and restated October 1, 2004)