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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement MEDICIS PHARMACEUTICAL CORP [MRX] RODNER SETH L (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 7720 N. DOBSON RD. (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Officer Other Person (give title below) (specify below) SCOTTSDALE, AZÂ 85256 Form filed by More than One EVP, CLO & Corp Secretary Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) **Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned** 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock $24,090 \frac{(1)}{2}$ Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

 $Table\ II\ -\ Derivative\ Securities\ Beneficially\ Owned\ (\textit{e.g.},\ puts,\ calls,\ warrants,\ options,\ convertible\ securities)$

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

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			Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Appreciation Right	(2)	02/27/2016 Cor Stoo	mmon ck 112,701	\$ 11.28	D	Â
Employee Stock Appreciation Right	(3)	03/01/2017 Cor Stoo	mmon ek 83,382	\$ 22.69	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
FS	Director 10% Owne		Officer	Other		
RODNER SETH L 7720 N. DOBSON RD. SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85256	Â	Â	EVP, CLO & Corp Secretary	Â		

Signatures

Seth L. Rodner 01/11/2012

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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- * 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) Represents shares of restricted stock.
- The Stock Appreciation Right ("SAR") vests in five (5) annual installments on each anniversary of the Grant Date as follows: Year 1, 10%; Year 2, 10%; Year 3, 20%; Year 4, 30%; Year 5, 30%. Upon exercise, the vested SARs will be settled in cash. The SAR was granted on 02/27/2009 (the "Grant Date"). The amount shown in column 3 represents the number of shares of common stock of the Issuer underlying the SAR which remains unvested. No vested portion of the SAR remains unexercised as of the date hereof.
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