

MEDICINES CO /DE
Form 8-K
January 30, 2009

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**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 26, 2009

The Medicines Company

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware

000-31191

04-3324394

(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**8 Sylvan Way
Parsippany, New Jersey**

07054

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(973) 290-6000**

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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On January 26, 2009, Catharine Newberry's employment as Senior Vice President and Chief Human Strategy Officer of The Medicines Company (the Company), terminated, effective immediately. Ms. Newberry was a named executive officer in the Company's Proxy Statement related to the Company's 2008 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

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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.

THE MEDICINES COMPANY

Date: January 30, 2009

By: /s/ Paul M. Antinori
Paul M. Antinori
Senior Vice President and General
Counsel