

NOVEN PHARMACEUTICALS INC  
Form 8-K  
March 16, 2006

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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):

March 9, 2006

**Noven Pharmaceuticals, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

0-17254

59-2767632

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

11960 S.W. 144th Street, Miami, Florida

33186

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

305-253-5099

Not Applicable

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)  
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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 8.01 Other Events.**

In March 2006, three executive officers of Noven Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Eduardo G. Abrao, Jeffrey F. Eisenberg and W. Neil Jones, each established stock trading plans intended to comply with the guidelines specified in Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Each of the plans provides for the exercise of stock options and the subsequent sale of the acquired shares on the open market, subject to specified limitations and minimum price thresholds. Under these plans, the executive officers do not control the specific timing of any option exercise or sale.

Rule 10b5-1 permits corporate officers and directors to adopt written, pre-arranged stock trading plans when they are not in possession of material, non-public information. Public disclosure of the transactions under these plans is required to be made by the executive officers through Form 144 and Form 4 filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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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.

*March 16, 2006*

Noven Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

By: */s/ Jeff Mihm*

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*Name: Jeff Mihm*

*Title: Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary*