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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ABEL DOUGLAS			Symbol MANH	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MANHATTAN PHARMACEUTICALS INC [MHA]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
	(Last) 810 SEVEN FLOOR	(First) (M	(Month/D	•	ansaction		-	_X_ Director _X_ Officer (giv below)	ve title 10% below) sident and CEO	er (specify
	NEW YORK	(Street) X, NY 10019		ndment, Da hth/Day/Year	_			6. Individual or J Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by Form filed by Person	-	erson
	(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acc	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (D) (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
	Common	11/18/2005		P	5,000	A	ን 1 ንዩ	25,000	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Dr.Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option	\$ 1.5					<u>(1)</u>	04/01/2015	Common Stock	2,923,900

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Name is	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ABEL DOUGLAS 810 SEVENTH AVENUE, 4TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019	X		President and CEO				

Signatures

/s/ Douglas Abel

11/21/2005

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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) 974,634 shares vest on 11/1/05; 974,633 shares vest on each of 11/1/06 and 11/1/07.

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