FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* ABEL DOUGLAS					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MANHATTAN PHARMACEUTICALS INC [MHTT]									(Che	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 810 SEVENTH AVENUE, 4TH FLOOR					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/26/2005									_ X	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) President and CEO					
(Street) NEW YO	ORK N	Y	10019		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line)	X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				۱		
(City)	(S	itate)	(Zip)		Person															
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D					action 2A. Deemed Execution Da if any (Month/Day/Y			ate,	te, Transaction Dispo			urities Acc sed Of (D)			5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F Reported	Form (D) o ollowing (I) (Ir		: Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amou	nt (A) or (D)		Price	Transacti (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(111511.4)	
Common Stock				04/26/	26/2005				P		2,500 A		\$1.42	10,	10,000		D			
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	ive Conversion Date Execution Date, Trans y or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any Code				nsaction le (Instr.	ction of			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amoun Securities Underly Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		rlying rity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		e Over Section Ove	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Cod	ie V	(A)	(D)	Date Exer	cisable	Expi Date	iration :	Title		ber of						
Option	\$1.5								(1)	04/0	1/2015	Common Stock	2,92	23,900		2,923,9	900	D		

Explanation of Responses:

 $1.\ 974,\!634\ shares\ vest\ on\ 11/1/05;\ 974,\!633\ shares\ vest\ on\ each\ of\ 11/1/06\ and\ 11/1/07.$

<u>/s/ Douglas Abel</u>

04/28/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * 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).

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