

MERCK & CO INC  
Form 8-K  
October 22, 2004

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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):

October 22, 2004

Merck & Co., Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New Jersey

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

1-3305

(Commission  
File Number)

22-1109110

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

One Merck Drive, P.O. Box 100, Whitehouse  
Station, New Jersey

(Address of principal executive offices)

08889

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

908-423-1000

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)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- 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.**

Incorporated by reference is a press release issued by the Registrant on October 22, 2004, attached as Exhibit 99, concerning a correction to the Registrant's 2004 fourth-quarter product gross margin guidance, which was first issued on October 21, 2004.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit 99 - Press release issued October 22, 2004

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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.

Merck & Co., Inc.

*October 22, 2004*

By: */s/ Debra A. Bollwage*

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*Name: Debra A. Bollwage*

*Title: Assistant Secretary*

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<b><u>Exhibit No.</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
99	Press release issued October 22, 2004