SURMODICS INC Form 8-K August 11, 2008

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 August 7, 2008 Date of report (Date of earliest event reported) SurModics, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Minnesota

0-23837

41-1356149

(State of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

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

9924 West 74th Street Eden Prairie, Minnesota

55344

(Zip Code)

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(952) 829-2700

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On August 8, 2008, SurModics, Inc. (the Company) announced in a press release that it had been informed by Merck & Co., Inc. that, in light of results reported in a recently published study comparing laser treatment and intravitreal injections of triamcinolone acetonide (TA) in patients with diabetic macular edema (DME), Merck is reevaluating the design of its Phase IIb clinical trial for I-vation TA. Pending this review, Merck is temporarily suspending enrollment of new patients in the Phase IIb clinical trial. The License and Research Collaboration Agreement between the companies continues. Other development programs with Merck are unaffected. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

ExhibitNumberDescription99.1Press Release dated August 8, 2008.

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.

SURMODICS, INC.

Date: August 8, 2008

/s/ Philip D. Ankeny Philip D. Ankeny Sr. Vice President and Chief Financial Officer