FORM 4

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Grigoriadis Dimitri E. |   |  |   |         | <u>N</u>   | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES INC  NBIX ] |        |   |   |  |                    |   |  |                                     | ationship of Reporting Personal<br>all applicable)  Director  Officer (give title below) |   |                                     | son(s) to Issuer  10% Owner  Other (specify below)                       |  |
|--|---|--|---|---------|--|---|--------|---|---|--|--------------------|---|--|-------------------------------------|--|---|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| (Last)<br>12780 E  | Last) (First) (Middle) 12780 EL CAMINO REAL                           |  |   |         |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/18/2019                     |        |   |   |  |                    |   |  |                                     | Chief Research Officer   |   |                                     |  |  |
| (Street) SAN DIEGO CA 92130 (City) (State) (Zip)                 |   |  |   | - 4. I  | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |   |        |   |   |  |                    |   | 6. Indi<br>Line)<br>X                  | ′                                   |  |   |                                     |  |  |
|  |   | Tab  | le I - No                                   | n-Deriv | vative   | e Se  | curiti | ies Ac                                  | quired,   | Dis  | sposed o           | of, or Be   | nefic                                  | ially                               | Owned  | t   |                                     |  |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)                                  |   |  | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)  |         | ur) E  | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year)                     |        | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |   | 4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 |                    |   | nd 5) Securitie<br>Benefici<br>Owned F |                                     | es<br>ally<br>Following  | Form<br>(D) o   | n: Direct<br>r Indirect<br>istr. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership                      |  |
|  |   |  |   |         |  |   |        |   |   | v  | Amount             | (A) or<br>(D)   | Pric                                   | Reported<br>Transact<br>(Instr. 3 a |  | tion(s)   |                                     |  | (Instr. 4)   |
| Common   | mon Stock 11/18/20  |  |   |         | 3/2019   | 019   |        | М                                       |   | 5,000  | ) A                | \$3   | 5.99                                   | 9 113,408                           |  |   | D                                   |  |  |
| Common   | Stock   |  |   | 11/18   | 3/2019   |   |        |   | S <sup>(1)</sup>                                      |  | 5,000              | D   | \$11                                   | 5.98                                | B 108,408 D  |   |                                     |  |  |
|  |   | 7  | able II -                                   |         |  |   |        |   |   |  |                    | , or Ben<br>ble secu  |  |                                     | wned   |   |                                     |  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)              | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deem<br>Execution<br>if any<br>(Month/D | n Date, | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8)                  |   | n of   |   | 6. Date Exercisa<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Yea |  | е                  | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Securit<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  | D<br>S<br>(I                        | Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)  | 9. Number<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficial<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transactic<br>(Instr. 4) | e<br>s<br>ally<br>g                 | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|  |   |  |   | С       | Code   | v   | (A)    | (D)                                     | Date<br>Exercisal:                                    |  | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amou<br>or<br>Numb<br>of<br>Share      | ımber                               |  |   |                                     |  |  |
| Non-<br>Qualified<br>Stock                                       | \$35.99   | 11/18/2019                                 |   |         | M  |   |        | 5,000                                   | (2)   |  | 02/05/2026         | Common  | 5,00                                   | 00                                  | \$35.99  | 28,830  | )                                   | D  |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The disposition reported in this Form 4 was effected by a broker pursuant to instructions set forth in a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person at least 60 days prior to the transaction date in Box 2 above. Additionally, Issuer policy restricts the Reporting Person from amending or otherwise modifying any 10b5-1 trading plan subsequent to adoption of the plan.
- 2. Option granted February 05, 2016 and vests monthly over four years.

## Remarks:

Option

/s/ Darin Lippoldt, Attorney-in-11/19/2019

\*\* 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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