

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>ABERNETHY MATT</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>12780 EL CAMINO REAL</u> (Street) <u>SAN DIEGO CA 92130</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/01/2017</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES INC [NBIX]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Chief Financial Officer</u>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

No securities are beneficially owned.

/s/ Darin Lippoldt, Attorney-in-Fact 12/05/2017

** 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 5 (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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LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY - SECURITIES LAW COMPLIANCE

The undersigned, as an officer of Neurocrine Biosciences, Inc. (the "Corporation"), hereby constitutes and appoints, jointly and severally Kevin C. Gorman, and Darin Lippoldt, each of them, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, each with the power of substitution for her in any and all capacities to complete and execute such Forms 144, advisable pursuant to Rule 144 promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933 (as amended) and Forms 3, 4, and 5 advisable pursuant to section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and other forms as such attorney shall in his or her discretion determine to be required by the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, or any successor laws and regulations, as a consequence of the undersigned's ownership, acquisition or disposition of securities of the Corporation, and to do all acts necessary in order to file such forms with the Securities and Exchange Commission, any securities exchange or national association, the Corporation and such other person or agency as the attorney shall deem appropriate. The undersigned hereby ratifies and confirms all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents shall do or cause to be done by

virtue hereof.

This Limited Power of Attorney is executed at San Diego, California, as of the date set forth below

/s/ Matt Abernethy _____
(Signature)

Date: December 4, 2017