FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

<b>STATEMENT</b>	<b>OF CHANGES</b>	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SHERWIN STEPHEN A					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES INC NBIX										5. Relationship of Report (Check all applicable) X Director Officer (give title			10% Owner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 12780 EL CAMINO REAL					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/07/2015										below)			below)		
(Street) SAN DIEGO CA 92130 (City) (State) (Zip)				4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Ind Line) X	Form fi	ual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Tra					action 2 Day/Year) i		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4 Transaction Code (Instr. 5		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)			or 5. Amoun		s For ally (D) following (I) (I		rm: Direct ) or Indirect (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									C	ode V	,	Amount	(A) (D)	r Pr	rice	Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 04/07					7/201	7/2015			М		15,00	0 A	\$	64.76	17,806(1)			D		
Common Stock 04/07					7/201	7/2015			F		1,776	5 D	\$	16,030		)30 <sup>(1)</sup> D		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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day)	Date,		ransaction code (Instr.		of		te Exerc ation D th/Day/	ate	ble and 7. Title and Amo of Securities (r) Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction( (Instr. 4)	lly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	isable		xpiration ate	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber					
Non- Qualified Stock Option	\$4.76	04/07/2015			М			15,000	05/28	3/2008	05	5/28/2015	Common Stock	15,0	000	\$0.00	0		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The share issuance reported on Table I reflects shares issued upon the exercise of options granted on May 28, 2008, which, if unexercised, would have expired on May 28, 2015. The option exercises are reported on Table II. These option exercises were pursuant to a net issuance arrangement effected under the issuer's equity incentive plan. The number of shares issued pursuant to the net issuance arrangement was calculated as follows: the option exercise price (\$4.76) was subtracted from the April 7, 2015 market close price (\$40.20), and this net amount (\$35.44) was then multiplied by the number of options (15,000), with the resulting amount then divided by the market close price to result in a net issuance of 13,224 shares to the optionee. The 1,776 shares underlying the remaining portion of the options are not available for reissuance, and no shares were sold into the market as part of the exercise in connection with a net issuance program.

## Remarks:

/s/ Darin Lippoldt, Attorney-in-01/12/2016

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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