FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BVF PARTNERS L P/IL					<u>N</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES INC [NBIX]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director X 10% Owner Officer (give title x Other (specify						ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE SANSOME STREET, 31ST FLOOR					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/03/2008								Officer (give title X Other (specify below) Indirect Beneficial Owner								
(Street) SAN FRANCISCO CA 94104 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. 1	Line)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne) Form filed by One Reporting Person X Person Reporting								
(City)	(30		Zip)	Non-Deriv	/ative	Sec	uritie	s A	cauir	ed. D	Disposed o	f. or F	Benefic	rial	ly Owne	-d					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye				n	2A. De Execut if any	Deemed ution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		(A) or	5. Amoun Securities Beneficial Owned Fo		of ly	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transactio (Instr. 3 ar	on(s) nd 4)			(Instr.	4)	
Common Stock				03/03/2008					P		24,000(3)	A	\$4.928	87	3,984,5	3,984,500 ⁽⁶⁾		I	See footnotes ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Common Stock				03/03/2008					P		17,000(4)	A	\$4.928	87	4,001,500 ⁽⁶⁾					See footnotes ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Common Stock				03/03/2008					P		57,000 ⁽⁵⁾	A	\$4.928	87	4,058,500 ⁽⁶⁾		I See footnotes		otes ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Common Stock				03/04/2008					P		5,200(3)	A	\$4.974	49	4,063,700(6)			See footnotes ⁽⁾		iotes ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Common Stock				03/04/2008					P		4,000(4)	A	\$4.974		4,067,700 ⁽⁶⁾		I		See footnotes ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Common Stock			03/04/20	03/04/2008				P		14,000(5)	A	\$4.974	749 4,081,700 ⁽⁶⁾			I See footnotes(1)(2)		otes ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾			
		Ta	able I								posed of, convertib				Owned						
L. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Exectif any	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			rcisable and Date	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		8 1 5	3. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Numb derivativ Securiti Benefici Owned Followin Reporte Transac (Instr. 4)	ve es ially ng ed etion(s)	Owners Form: Direct (I or Indire (I) (Instr		1. Nature f Indirect eneficial wnership nstr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exer	cisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares								
	d Address of	Reporting Person* S L P/IL																			
(Last)		(First)	(Middle)		-															

ONE SANSOME STREET, 31ST FLOOR (Street) SAN FRANCISCO CA 94104 (City) (State) (Zip) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BIOTECHNOLOGY VALUE FUND L P (Middle) (Last) (First) 900 N. MICHIGAN AVE., SUITE 1100

(Street) CHICAGO	IL	60611							
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BIOTECHNOLOGY VALUE FUND II LP									
(Last) (First) (Middle) 900 N. MICHIGAN AVE., SUITE 1100									
(Street) CHICAGO	IL	60611							
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							
Name and Address of Reporting Person* BVF INVESTMENTS LLC									
(Last) 900 N. MICHIGAN	(First) J AVE., SUITE 1100	(Middle)							
(Street) CHICAGO	IL	60611							
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							
1. Name and Address of BVF INC/IL	f Reporting Person*								
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE SANSOME STREET, 31ST FLOOR									
(Street) SAN FRANCISCO	CA	94104							
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							

Explanation of Responses:

1. The shares reported in this response are indirectly beneficially owned by BVF Partners L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("Partners"), the designated filer of this joint filing on Form 4, and by its general partner, BVF Inc., a Delaware corporation ("BVF Inc."), which is also an investment advisor to Partners. Partners is the general partner of Biotechnology Value Fund, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("BVF, L.P."), both investment limited partnerships. Partners also is the manager of BVF Investments, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company ("Investments"). Pursuant to the operating agreement of Investments, Partners is authorized, among other things, to invest the funds of Ziff Asset Management, L.P., the majority member of Investments, in the shares of Common Stock reported in Table I as being beneficially owned by Investments.

- 2. Mark N. Lampert is the sole shareholder and sole director of BVF Inc., and is an officer of BVF Inc. This joint filing on Form 4 shall not be deemed an admission that Mark N. Lampert is, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise, the beneficial owner of any equity securities covered by this joint filing.
- 3. Shares directly beneficially owned by BVF, L.P.
- 4. Shares directly beneficially owned by BVF2, L.P.
- 5. Shares directly beneficially owned by Investments.
- 6. Total amount of shares indirectly beneficially owned by Partners and BVF Inc.

Remarks:

BVF Partners L.P., By: BVF 03/05/2008 Inc., its GP, By: /s/ Mark N. <u>Lampert</u> **BIOTECHNOLOGY VALUE** FUND, L.P. By: BVF Partners 03/05/2008 L.P., its GP, By: BVF Inc., By: /s/ Mark N. Lampert **BIOTECHNOLOGY VALUE** FUND II, L.P., By: BVF 03/05/2008 Partners L.P., its GP, By: BVF Inc., By: /s/ Mark N. Lampert BVF INVESTMENTS, L.L.C., By: BVF Partners L.P., its Manager, By: BVF Inc., By: /s/ Mark N. Lampert BVF INC., By: /s/ Mark N. 03/05/2008 Lampert ** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

 $^{^{\}star}$ 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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