Instruction 1(b)

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*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES INC [NBIX]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
LYONS GARY A		X Director 10% Owner							
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Dav/Year)	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)							
12790 EL CAMINO REAL	02/14/2005	President and CEO							
(Street) SAN DIEGO CA 92130	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Lin X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person 							
(City) (State) (Zip)									
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transad Code (I 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)	
Common Stock	02/14/2005		A ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾		5,645	A	\$42.78	632,368	D ⁽²⁾		

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 Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transad Code (II 8)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		d 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Variable prepaid forward contract (put equivalent position)	(1)(3)	02/14/2005		X ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾			150,000 ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	02/11/2003	02/14/2005	Common Stock	150,000	(1)(3)	0 ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Reporting person netered into a prepaid forward purchase agreement dated February 11, 2003, pursuant to which, (i) the reporting person delivered to the broker, the shares listed in item 7 as collateral for the reporting person's obligations, (ii) the broker delivered to the reporting person, an agreed percentage of the market value of the shares listed in item 7 as collateral for broker's obligations, and (iii) the reporting person is obligated to deliver to the broker payment in stock or cash pursuant to the following formula: At Maturity (two years from date of transaction) (Payment in Stock or Cash, if available): (1) If NBIX price is < downside protection price: reporting person pays Salomon Smith Barney Number of Shares x NBIX price; (2) if NBIX price is between downside protection price and capped upside protection price: reporting person pays Salomon Smith Barney Number of Shares x downside protection price;

2. 481,587 non-derivative shares are held by the Reporting Person; 144,281 non-derivative shares are held indirectly by the GEL Limited Liability Company; 6,500 non-derivative shares are held indirectly by the Gary A. Lyons and Eryn H. Lyons Family Trust.

3. Footnote (1) continued: The parties agreed to a maturity date of February 14, 2005. Accordingly on the maturity date the reporting person settled his obligation by delivering to buyer 144,355 non-derivative shares and retaining ownership of the remaining 5,645 pledged non-derivative shares.

Remarks:

Margaret E. Valeur-Jensen, By Power of Attorney

03/07/2005 Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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).

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