FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name ar ABERI (Last) 12780 EI | NE NBI | Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES INC [NBIX] In the of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) (04/24/2020) | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Chief Financial Officer | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--------------|---------------------------------|--|--|-------------------------|--|---|--|--|------------|--|---|-------------------------|--|--|---|
| (Street) SAN DIEGO CA 92130 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | 4. If A | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X 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. Transaction Date (Month/Day) | | | | | | Execution Date, | | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Disposed Of | | | s Acquired (A) or of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and | | | 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) o (D) | r Pri | ce | Transa | action(s) . 3 and 4) | | | (111301. 4) |
| Common Stock 04/24/20 | | | | | | 020 | | | | | 1,934 | D | 99 | \$ 0.5175 | 7, | 694 ⁽³⁾ | | 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) | ative Conversion Date Execution Date, if any | | | Code (8) | ransaction of ode (Instr. Deriv | | | 6. Date Expirat (Month) | tion Da h/Day/Y | (ear) Securiti Underly Derivati Security 3 and 4) | | int of ities rlying ative ity (Ins | De Se (In: | Price of rivative curity str. 5) | | | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Sale of 1,934 shares of common stock issued upon vesting of 3,675 performance restricted stock units on April 24, 2020 to cover withholding taxes, with the balance of the shares (1,741) maintained by the Reporting Person; 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 3 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. Represents a weighted average sales price per share. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$97.56 to \$101.13. The Reporting Person has provided to the issuer, and will provide to any security holder of the issuer or the SEC staff, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range.
- 3. Includes 252 shares acquired under the Neurocrine Biosciences 2018 Employee Stock Purchase Plan on February 28, 2020.

Remarks:

/s/ Darin Lippoldt, Attorney-

04/28/2020

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** 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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