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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Steinman, Lawrence (Last) (First) (Middle) 300 Pasteur Drive B002 Beckman Center (Street) Stanford, CA 94503 (City) (State) (Zip)			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Neurocrine Biosciences, Inc./NBIX			6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)		
3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)			4. Statement for Month/Day/Year 03/18/03			7. 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		
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)								

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)	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			
Common Stock	03/18/03		A		8,229	A	2.50	8,229	D	
Common Stock	03/18/03		A		4,000	A	2.50	4,000	D	
Common Stock	03/18/03		A		1,000	A	2.50	1,000	D	
Common Stock	03/18/03		A		7,000	A	2.50	7,000	D	
Common Stock	03/18/03		A		2,000	A	2.50	2,000	D	
Common Stock	03/18/03		A		3,000	A	2.50	3,000	D	
Common Stock	03/19/03		A		5,000	A	2.50	5,000	D	
Common Stock	03/19/03		A		5,000	A	2.50	5,000	D	
Common Stock	03/19/03		A		22,771	A	2.50	22,771	D	
Common Stock	03/19/03		S		5,000	D	44.45		D	
Common Stock	03/19/03		S		5,000	D	44.35		D	
Common Stock	03/19/03		S		5,000	D	44.30		D	
Common Stock	03/19/03		S		5,000	D	44.30		D	
Common Stock	03/19/03		S		5,000	D	44.30		D	
Common Stock	03/19/03		S		5,000	D	44.30		D	
Common Stock	03/19/03		S		2,771	D	44.30		D	
Common Stock	03/18/03		S		5,000	D	44.60		D	
Common Stock	03/18/03		S		3,000	D	44.25		D	
Common Stock	03/18/03		S		1,000	D	44.25		D	
Common Stock	03/18/03		S		1,000	D	44.29		D	
Common Stock	03/18/03		S		3,229	D	44.60		D	
Common Stock	03/18/03		S		2,000	D	44.75		D	

Common Stock	03/18/03		S		2,000	D	44.50		D	
Common Stock	03/18/03		S		3,000	D	44.51		D	
Common Stock	03/18/03		S		5,000	D	44.50		D	

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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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 & 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Non-statutory Stock Option	2.50	03/18/03		M ⁽¹⁾		8,229	08/20/93	07/20/03	Common Stock	8,229			D	
Non-statutory Stock Option	2.50	03/18/03		M ⁽¹⁾		4,000	08/20/93	07/20/03	Common Stock	4,000			D	
Non-statutory Stock Option	2.50	03/18/03		M ⁽¹⁾		1,000	08/20/93	07/20/03	Common Stock	1,000			D	
Non-statutory Stock Option	2.50	03/18/03		M ⁽¹⁾		7,000	08/20/93	07/20/93	Common Stock	7,000			D	
Non-statutory Stock Option	2.50	03/18/03		M ⁽¹⁾		2,000	08/20/93	07/20/03	Common Stock	2,000			D	
Non-statutory Stock Option	2.50	03/18/03		M ⁽¹⁾		3,000	08/20/93	07/20/03	Common Stock	3,000			D	
Non-statutory Stock Option	2.50	03/19/03		M ⁽¹⁾		5,000	08/20/93	07/20/03	Common Stock	5,000			D	
Non-statutory Stock Option	2.50	03/19/03		M ⁽¹⁾		5,000	08/20/93	07/20/03	Common Stock	5,000			D	
Non-statutory Stock Option	2.50	03/19/03		M ⁽¹⁾		22,771	08/20/93	07/20/03	Common Stock	22,771			D	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Exercise of derivative security exempted pursuant to Rule 16b-3.

By: /s/ **Margaret E. Valeur-Jensen**

03/20/03

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

**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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