FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* WIERENGA WENDALL D						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES INC [NBIX]							of Reporting F cable) or (give title	Person(s) to Iss 10% O Other (wner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 12790 EL CAMINO REAL					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/26/2004							helow)		below) Developme	`
(Street) SAN DIEGO CA 92130				4	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned														
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D					Execution Date,			Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		rities Acquir ed Of (D) (In:	ities Acquired (A) or d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		es F ally (I Following (I	. Ownership orm: Direct O) or Indirect) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
								Code V	Amoun	t (A) o	r Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3	tion(s)		(Instr. 4)
		-	Гable II - D (e					uired, Dis , options,	•	,	,	Owned			
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/Ye	Code	saction (Instr.			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun 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 Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	· v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiratior Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option ⁽¹⁾	\$57.51	05/26/2004		A		30,000		06/26/2004	05/26/2014	Common Stock	30,000	\$57.51	30,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents option of which 1/48th of the shares underlying the option becomes vested and exercisable on June 26, 2004, an additional 1/48th of the shares underlying the option becomes vested and exercisable each month thereafter

Remarks:

Margaret E. Valeur-Jensen, by Power of Attorney

05/28/2004

** 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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