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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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SHERWIN STEPHEN A						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES INC [NBIX									of Reporting cable) or	g Pers	son(s) to Iss		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 12780 EL CAMINO REAL					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/23/2012									Officer below)	(give title		Other (s	specify	
(Street) SAN DIEGO CA 92130 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								i. Indi ine) X	· ·					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transar Date (Month/Date					Execution Date			Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)			ties Acquir I Of (D) (Ins	ed (A) or str. 3, 4 a	or 5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F		es Formally (D) (Sollowing (I) (I		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									v	Amount	(A) o (D)	r Pric	е	Transact	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
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 Da if any (Month/Day/\)	Code	action (Instr.			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	er						
Stock Option ⁽¹⁾	\$6.66	05/23/2012		А		15,000		06/23/2012	2 0	5/23/2022	Common Stock	15,00	00	\$0	15,000)	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents option of which 1/12th of the shares underlying the option becomes vested and exercisable on June 23, 2012, an additional 1/12th of the shares underlying the option becomes vested and exercisable each month thereafter

Remarks:

Margaret E. Valeur-Jensen, By

05/24/2012

Power of Attorney

** 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).
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