FORM 4

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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<u> </u>																	
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>STEINMAN LAWRENCE J</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES INC [NBIX]								of Reporting cable)	g Pers	son(s) to Issi 10% Ow	
(Last)	.ast) (First) (Middle)				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/22/2003								Office below)	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify
(Street)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
(City) (State) (Zip)													Form	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																	
Date				Transaction te onth/Day/Y	Execution Date,			Code (In	Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Ins				Benefici	ies For cially (D) Following (I) (: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
								Code	v	Amount	(A) oi (D)	Price	Transac (Instr. 3	on(s)			,msu. 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 Date if any (Month/Day/Yes	Code		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amour of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	s S Illy	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		expiration pate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Statutory Stock	48.51	05/22/2003		A		12,000		06/22/2003	0	5/22/2013	Common Stock	12,000	\$48.51	89,000	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents option of which 1/36th of the shares underlying the option becomes vested and exercisable on June 22, 2003 an additional 1/36th of the shares underlying the option becomes vested and exercisable each month thereafter

Margaret E. Valeur-Jensen

05/27/2003

** 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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