

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>RANIERI RICHARD J</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES, INC.</u> <u>12790 EL CAMINO REAL</u>  (Street) <u>SAN DIEGO CA 92130</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES INC [ NBIX ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Sr. VP, Human Resources</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/12/2008</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (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 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 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	02/12/2008		s		100	D	\$4.96	19,233	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2008		s		866	D	\$4.97	18,367	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2008		s		1,200	D	\$4.98	17,167	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2008		s		500	D	\$4.99	16,667	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2008		s		1,500	D	\$5	15,167	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2008		s		400	D	\$5.01	14,767	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2008		s		900	D	\$5.02	13,867	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2008		s		600	D	\$5.03	13,267	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2008		s		800	D	\$5.04	12,467	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2008		s		500	D	\$5.05	11,967	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2008		s		900	D	\$5.06	11,067	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2008		s		100	D	\$5.07	10,967	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2008		s		400	D	\$5.08	10,567	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2008		s		200	D	\$5.09	10,367	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2008		s		400	D	\$5.1	9,967	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2008		s <sup>(1)</sup>		300	D	\$5.17	9,667	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)	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) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount 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)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. Sale of 9,666 shares of common stock issued upon vesting of 19,333 restricted stock units on February 11, 2008 to cover payroll and withholding taxes, with the balance of the shares (9,667) maintained by the Reporting Person; the sale was effected by a broker pursuant to instructions set forth in a Rule 10b5-1 plan adopted by the Reporting Person and delivered to the broker on March 22, 2007.

**Remarks:**

Margaret E. Valeur-Jensen, By 02/14/2008  
Power of Attorney

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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