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*  OBrien Christopher Flint  (Loch) (Circl) (Middle)						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES INC [ NBIX ]								eck all appl Direct	icable) or r (give title	g Pers	10% Ow Other (s below)	ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 12780 EL CAMINO REAL							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2017								Chief Medical Officer				
(Street) SAN DIEGO CA 92130					_   4. I	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								e) <mark>X</mark> Form	al or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable orm filed by One Reporting Person orm filed by More than One Reporting erson				
(City)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Day						2/ Ex	A. Deemed execution Date, any Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		l (A) or	5. Amo Securit Benefic Owned	es Formally (D) (Following (I) (I		n: Direct r Indirect Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reporte Transa (Instr. 3	ction(s)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 02/06/2						017			S <sup>(1)</sup>		1,206	D	\$43.17	(2) 37	7,038		D		
		-	Table II -								osed of, converti			Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)				6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	n Dat		of Securiti Underlying Derivative	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security Instr. 3 and 4)		9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transactie (Instr. 4)	e s Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock Option	\$43.24	02/06/2017			A		76,800		(3)		02/06/2027	Common Stock	76,800	\$0.00	76,80	0	D		
Restricted Stock Option	(4)	02/06/2017			A		10,600		(5)		(5)	Common Stock	10,600	\$0.00	10,60	0	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Sale of 1206 shares of common stock issued upon vesting of 3200 restricted stock units to cover withholding taxes with the balance of the shares (1994) maintained by the Reporting Person; the disposition reported in this Form 4 was effected by a broker pursuant to instructions set forth in a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person at least 90 days prior to the transaction date in Box 3 above. Additionally, Issuer policy restricts the Reporting Person from amending, canceling, suspending or otherwise modifying any 10b5-1 trading plan subsequent to adoption of the plan.
- 2. Represents a weighted average sales price per share. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$42.91 to \$43.46. The Reporting Person has provided to the issuer, and will provide to any security holder of the issuer or the SEC staff, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range.
- 3. Represents option of which 1/48th of the shares underlying the option becomes vested and exercisable on March 6, 2017 and an additional 1/48th of the shares underlying the option becomes vested and exercisable each month thereafter.
- 4. Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Neurocrine Common Stock.
- 5. The Restricted Stock Units will vest annually at 1/4 of the units vesting on each of February 6, 2018, February 6, 2019, February 6, 2020, and February 6, 2021.

## Remarks:

/s/ Darin Lippoldt, Attorney-In-

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

02/08/2017

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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