FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Lippoldt Darin</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES INC [NBIX]								eck all appli Directo	tor er (give title		10% Ow Other (s	/ner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 12780 EL CAMINO REAL						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2017								below	below) officer			
(Street) SAN DIEGO CA 92130 (City) (State) (Zip)					_ 4. _	If Ame	ndment, I	Date o	of Origina	ll File	d (Month/Da	Line	e) X Form t Form t	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da				action	2/ E: ar) if	A. Deemed xecution I any //onth/Day	i Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3,		d (A) or	5. Amou Securiti Benefic Owned	int of es ially Following	Form (D) o	n: Direct r Indirect I istr. 4) (7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)		[(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 02/06/2					6/2017	017		S ⁽¹⁾		821	D	\$43.13	(2)	0		D		
Common Stock 02/07/2					7/2017	017			S ⁽¹⁾		132	D	\$44.6	2 1,	222		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	n Date,	4. Transa Code (8)				6. Date E Expiratio (Month/E	on Da		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactie (Instr. 4)	e s Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	ıble	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option	\$43.24	02/06/2017			A		68,400		(3)		02/06/2027	Common Stock	68,400	\$0.00	68,40	0	D	
Restricted Stock	(4)	02/06/2017			A		9,100		(5)		(5)	Common Stock	9,100	\$0.00	9,100		D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Sale of 821 and 132 shares of common stock issued upon vesting of 2,175 restricted stock units to cover withholding taxes with the balance of the shares (1,222) 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 \$42.69 to \$43.41. 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:

<u>/s/ Darin Lippoldt</u>

02/08/2017

** 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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