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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * OBrien Christopher Flint			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES INC [NBIX]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 12780 EL CAN	(First) MINO REAL	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/05/2018	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Former Chief Medical Officer			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
SAN DIEGO, CA 92130				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativo	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)		sed of 4 and (A) or	` ′	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)
Common Stock	02/05/2018		S(1)	1,500	D	\$ 83.0147 (2)	52,223	D	
Common Stock	02/05/2018		S(3)	1,113	D	\$ 83.3957 (2)	54,310	D	
Common Stock	02/06/2018		F(4)	1,014	D	\$ 82.48	55,946	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 II S (
Stock Option	\$ 81.49	02/05/2018		Code V	(A) (D) 9,250	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date 02/05/2028	Title Common Stock	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

OBrien Christopher Flint 12780 EL CAMINO REAL SAN DIEGO, CA 92130

Former Chief Medical Officer

Signatures

/s/ Darin Lippoldt, Attorney-in-Fact

02/07/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
 - Sale of 1,500 shares of common stock issued upon vesting of 3,000 restricted stock units on February 5, 2018 to cover payroll and withholding taxes, with the balance of the shares (1,500) maintained by the Reporting Person; the disposition reported in this Form 4 was
- (1) 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 2 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.
- Represents a weighted average sales price per share. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$81.43 to (2) \$84.41. 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) Sale of 1,113 shares of common stock issued upon vesting of restricted stock units on February 5, 2018 to cover payroll and withholding taxes, with the balance of the shares (2,087) 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

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transaction date in Box 2 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.

- (4) Payment of tax liability by withholding 1,014 shares of Common Stock incident to the vesting of a security issued in accordance with Rule 16b-3, with the balance of the shares (1,636) maintained by the Reporting Person.
- (5) Represents option of which 1/24th of the shares underlying the option becomes vested and exercisable on March 5, 2018 and an additional 1/24th of the shares underlying the option becomes vested and exercisable each month thereafter.

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