

Lippoldt Darin
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Lippoldt Darin

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES INC [NBIX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 12780 EL CAMINO REAL
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/08/2017

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Chief Legal Officer

SAN DIEGO, CA 92130
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D) Code V	Amount	Price		
Common Stock	12/08/2017		M	2,955	A	\$ 18.15	16,112	D
Common Stock	12/08/2017		S ⁽¹⁾	2,955	D	\$ 75	13,157	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. 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 18.15	12/08/2017		M	2,955	<u>(2)</u> 11/03/2024	Common Stock	2,955

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Lippoldt Darin 12780 EL CAMINO REAL SAN DIEGO, CA 92130			Chief Legal Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Darin Lippoldt
12/11/2017
**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).
- 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
- (1) 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.
 - (2) Represents option which vests 1/4th upon anniversary of grant (11/3/2014), thereafter vesting in equal monthly installments over the following three years such that the entire award is fully vested at 11/3/2018.

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