

OBrien Christopher Flint
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FORM 4

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/16/2018

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Chief Medical 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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 01/16/2018 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 1,750 | D | \$ 79.1423 |
| | | | | | | | 50,723 |

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)

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|---|---|--|
| 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
| | | | | Code V (A) (D) | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | 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 | | | Chief Medical Officer | |

Signatures

/s/ Darin Lippoldt, 01/18/2018
 Attorney-in-Fact

__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 1,750 shares of common stock issued upon vesting of 3,500 restricted stock units on January 16, 2018 to cover payroll and withholding taxes, with the balance of the shares (1,750) 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 \$76.09 to

(2) \$82.04. 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.

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