

Lippoldt Darin  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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)  
11/15/2017

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Chief Legal Officer

SAN DIEGO, CA 92130

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price   |
| Common Stock                    | 11/15/2017                           |  | M                              |   | 9,900   | A  | \$ 18.15  |
| Common Stock                    | 11/15/2017                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 9,900   | D  | \$ 73.0496  |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | <sup>(2)</sup>  |

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   | 11/15/2017                           |  | M                              | 9,900   | <sup>(3)</sup> 11/03/2024                                | Common Stock  | 9,900                      |

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

/s/ Darrin Lippoldt 11/17/2017

\*\*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).

(1) 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 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 a weighted average sales price per share. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$72.50 to \$73.56. 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 which vests 1/4 upon anniversary of grant (11/03/2014), thereafter vesting in equal monthly installments over the following three years such that the entire award is fully vested at 11/03/2018.

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