

RANIERI RICHARD J  
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 \*  
RANIERI RICHARD J

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)  
NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES, INC., 12790 EL CAMINO REAL  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/19/2006

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Sr. VP, Human Resources

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction of Derivative	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 60.95	01/19/2006	A		6,000		02/19/2006	01/19/2013	Common Stock	6,000
Restricted Stock Units	<sup>(2)</sup>	01/19/2006	A		2,000		<sup>(3)</sup>	<sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	2,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RANIERI RICHARD J NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES, INC. 12790 EL CAMINO REAL SAN DIEGO, CA 92130			Sr. VP, Human Resources	

## Signatures

Margaret E. Valeur-Jensen, By Power of Attorney 01/23/2006

\*\*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) Represents option of which 1/48th of the shares underlying the option becomes vested and exercisable on February 19, 2006 and an additional 1/48th of the shares underlying the option becomes vested and exercisable each month thereafter.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Neurocrine Common Stock.
- (3) The restricted stock units will vest monthly at 1/36th of the units beginning February 19, 2006. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person in January following the year in which the reporting person terminates employment with Neurocrine.

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