

NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES INC  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
**HAWRAN PAUL W**

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)  
**12790 EL CAMINO REAL**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**03/21/2005**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Executive VP and CFO**

**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)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 (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 Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Variable prepaid forward contract (put equivalent position)	<u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	03/21/2005	X <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	40,000 <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>					03/20/2003	03/21/2005	Common Stock	40,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HAWRAN PAUL W 12790 EL CAMINO REAL SAN DIEGO, CA 92130			Executive VP and CFO	

## Signatures

Timothy P. Coughlin, By Power of Attorney  
 Date: 03/22/2005  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## 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).
- Reporting person entered into a prepaid forward purchase agreement on March 20, 2003, pursuant to which, (i) the reporting person delivered to the broker, the shares listed in item 7 as collateral for the reporting person's obligations, (ii) the broker delivered to the reporting person, an agreed percentage of the market value of the shares listed in item 7 as collateral for broker's obligations, and (iii) the reporting person is obligated to deliver to the broker payment in stock or cash pursuant to the following formula: At Maturity (two years from date of transaction) (Payment in Stock or Cash, if available): (1) If NBIX price is < downside protection price: reporting person pays Salomon Smith Barney Number of Shares x NBIX price; (2) if NBIX price is between downside protection price and capped upside protection price: reporting person pays Salomon Smith Barney Number of Shares x downside protection price;
- Footnote (1) continued: (3) if NBIX price is > capped upside protection price: Reporting Person pays Salomon Smith Barney Number of Shares x the agreed downside protection price divided by the capped upside protection price, and (iv) Reporting Person has an agreed participation above the capped upside protection price. The parties agreed to a maturity date of March 21, 2005. Accordingly on the maturity date the Reporting Person settled his obligation by delivering to the broker 40,000 non-derivative shares.

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