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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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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 BVF PARTNERS L P/IL	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
	NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES INC [NBIX]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE SANSOME STREET, 31ST FLOOR	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/01/2008	DirectorX 10% Owner Officer (give titleX Other (specification) Indirect Beneficial Owner			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person			

SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104

(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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit for Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (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)
Common Stock	12/01/2008		P	24,400 (3)	A	\$ 2.3458	5,737,447 <u>(6)</u>	I	See footnotes (1) (2)
Common Stock	12/01/2008		P	16,000 (4)	A	\$ 2.3458	5,753,447 (6)	I	See footnotes (1) (2)
Common Stock	12/01/2008		P	59,000 (5)	A	\$ 2.3458	5,812,447 <u>(6)</u>	I	See footnotes (1) (2)

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	Secur	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
					(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				Amount		
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Namess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BVF PARTNERS L P/IL ONE SANSOME STREET, 31ST FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104		X		Indirect Beneficial Owner			
BIOTECHNOLOGY VALUE FUND L P 900 N. MICHIGAN AVE., SUITE 1100 CHICAGO, IL 60611				Direct Beneficial Owner			
BIOTECHNOLOGY VALUE FUND II LP 900 N. MICHIGAN AVE., SUITE 1100 CHICAGO, IL 60611				Direct Beneficial Owner			
BVF INVESTMENTS LLC 900 N. MICHIGAN AVE., SUITE 1100 CHICAGO, IL 60611				Direct Beneficial Owner			
BVF INC/IL ONE SANSOME STREET, 31ST FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104		X		Indirect Beneficial Owner			

Signatures

BVF Partners L.P., By: BVF Inc., its GP, By: /s/ Mark N. Lampert

12/03/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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BIOTECHNOLOGY VALUE FUND, L.P. By: BVF Partners L.P., its GP, By: BVF Inc., By: 12/03/2008 /s/ Mark N. Lampert

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

BIOTECHNOLOGY VALUE FUND II, L.P., By: BVF Partners L.P., its GP, By: BVF Inc., By: /s/ Mark N. Lampert

12/03/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

BVF INVESTMENTS, L.L.C., By: BVF Partners L.P., its Manager, By: BVF Inc., By: /s/ Mark N. Lampert

12/03/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

BVF INC., By: /s/ Mark N. Lampert

12/03/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- 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 shares reported in this response are indirectly beneficially owned by BVF Partners L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("Partners"), the designated filer of this joint filing on Form 4, and by its general partner, BVF Inc., a Delaware corporation ("BVF Inc."), which is also an investment advisor to Partners. Partners is the general partner of Biotechnology Value Fund, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership

- (1) ("BVF, L.P.") and Biotechnology Value Fund II, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("BVF2, L.P."), both investment limited partnerships. Partners also is the manager of BVF Investments, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company ("Investments"). Pursuant to the operating agreement of Investments, Partners is authorized, among other things, to invest the funds of Samana Capital, L.P., the majority member of Investments, in the shares of Common Stock reported in Table I as being beneficially owned by Investments.
- Mark N. Lampert is the sole shareholder and sole director of BVF Inc., and is an officer of BVF Inc. This joint filing on Form 4 shall not (2) be deemed an admission that Mark N. Lampert is, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise, the beneficial owner of any equity securities covered by this joint filing.
- (3) Shares directly beneficially owned by BVF, L.P.
- (4) Shares directly beneficially owned by BVF2, L.P.
- (5) Shares directly beneficially owned by Investments.
- (6) Total amount of shares indirectly beneficially owned by Partners and BVF Inc.

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