#### RANIERI RICHARD J Form 3 June 22, 2005 FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 OMB

### INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting<br>Person <u>*</u><br>RANIERI RICHARD J |                              |                             | 2. Date of Event Requ<br>Statement<br>(Month/Day/Year)                                       |   | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br>NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES INC [NBIX] |  |                 |  |  |  |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|---|--|--|-----------------|--|--|--|
| (Last)   | (First)                      | (Middle)                    | 06/20/2005   |   | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer                                 |  |                 | 5. If Amendment, Date Original<br>Filed(Month/Day/Year)    |  |  |
| 12790 EL C.  | AMINO R                      | EAL                         |  |   |  |  |                 | •  |  |  |
| (Street)   |                              |                             | (Check   | (Check all applicable)  |  | <ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group</li> <li>Filing(Check Applicable Line)</li> <li>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting</li> <li>Person</li> <li> Form filed by More than One</li> <li>Reporting Person</li> </ul> |                 |  |  |  |
| SAN DIEGO, CA 92130  |                              |                             |  | U   |  |  |                 |  |  |  |
| (City)   | (State)                      | (Zip)                       | Table  | e I - Non-Derivati  | ve Securitie   | ities Beneficially Owned   |                 |  |  |  |
| 1.Title of Secur<br>(Instr. 4)   | ity                          |                             |  | ount of Securities<br>cially Owned<br>4)  | 3.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 5)       | 4. Nature o<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 5)   |                 | ct Beneficial  |  |  |
| Reminder: Repo<br>owned directly   |                              | ate line for ea             | ch class of securities be  | eneficially SI  | EC 1473 (7-02)   | )  |                 |  |  |  |
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| Т  | able II - Der                | ivative Secu                | rities Beneficially Own  | ned (e.g., puts, calls,   | warrants, opti   | ions, conve  | ertible se      | ecurities)   |  |  |
| 1. Title of Deri<br>(Instr. 4)   | vative Securi                | Expi                        | ration Date S<br>/Day/Year) D  | . Title and Amount of<br>ecurities Underlying<br>perivative Security<br>(nstr. 4) | 4.<br>Conversio<br>or Exercis<br>Price of  |  | rship H<br>of ( | 5. Nature of Indirect<br>Beneficial Ownership<br>Instr. 5) |  |  |

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Title

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Amount or

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Security:

Direct (D)

or Indirect

(Instr. 5)

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## OMB APPROVAL

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# **Reporting Owners**

| <b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>                            | Relationships |           |                         |       |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|--|
| I O  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                 | Other |  |
| RANIERI RICHARD J<br>12790 EL CAMINO REAL<br>SAN DIEGO, CA 92130 | Â             | Â         | Sr. VP, Human Resources | Â     |  |
| Signatures   |               |           |                         |       |  |
| Paul W. Hawran, By Power of Attorney                             | 06/21/2005    |           |                         |       |  |
| **Signature of Reporting Person                                  | Date          |           |                         |       |  |

# **Explanation of Responses:**

No securities are beneficially owned

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

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