

NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS

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LABRUCHERIE GIL M

FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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| Telephone | 4154825300 |
| CIK | 0000906709 |
| Symbol | NKTR |
| SIC Code | 2834 - Pharmaceutical Preparations |
| Industry | Biotechnology & Medical Research |
| Sector | Healthcare |
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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|---|--|--|---|--|--|---|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | |
| Labrucherie Gil M | | | NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [NKTR] | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) SVP & Chief Financial Officer | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) | | | | | |
| C/O NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS, 455 MISSION BAY BOULEVARD SOUTH | | | 10/2/2017 | | | | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY) | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | |
| SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94158 | | | | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> 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. Trans. Date | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 3. Trans. 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 (1) | 10/2/2017 | | M | | 120000 | A | \$11.34 | 183414 (2) | D | |
| Common Stock (1) | 10/2/2017 | | S | | 120000 | D | \$24.45 (3) | 63414 (2) | D | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g. , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Trans. Date | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Trans. 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 | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |
| Stock Option (1) | \$11.34 | 10/2/2017 | | M | | | 120000 | 2/1/2014 | 1/31/2018 | Common Stock | 120000 | \$0.00 | 0 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- This transaction was made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by Mr. Labrucherie on May 22, 2017 related to 120,000 stock options scheduled to expire on January 31, 2018.
- This number includes 997 shares held by the reporting person in the Issuer's 401(K) plan and 3,250 shares held by the reporting person in the Issuer's ESPP plan. The acquisition of these shares under both plans is exempt under Rule 16b-3(c).
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$23.99 to \$24.74. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide full information regarding the number of shares and the prices at which the transactions were effected upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer.

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Labrucherie Gil M C/O NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS 455 MISSION BAY BOULEVARD SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94158 | | | SVP & Chief Financial Officer | |

Signatures

Mark A. Wilson, Attorney-in-Fact

10/3/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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