

Doberstein Stephen K
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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 *
 Doberstein Stephen K

 (Last) (First) (Middle)
 455 MISSION BAY BOULEVARD
 SOUTH

 (Street)
 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94158

 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS
 [NKTR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/06/2013

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

 (Check all applicable)
 ___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 Chief Scientific Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 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	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8.
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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	\$ 8.8	02/06/2013	A		50,000		<u>(1)</u>	02/05/2021	Common Stock	50,000
Stock Option	\$ 8.8	02/06/2013	A		50,000		<u>(2)</u>	02/05/2021	Common Stock	50,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Doberstein Stephen K 455 MISSION BAY BOULEVARD SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94158			Chief Scientific Officer	

Signatures

Gil M. Labrucherie, 02/08/2013
 Attorney-in-Fact

__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) This option was granted on February 6, 2013 and vests in monthly installments over the four-year period following the grant date. This stock option is subject to both time-based vesting and performance-based vesting conditions, both of which must be met before the shares subject to the option become vested and exercisable. The time-based vesting is on a monthly pro-rata basis over a period of four (4) years from the grant date (February 6, 2013). The performance-based vesting condition will be met only if Nektar (or a licensee) files
- (2) a new drug registration with the FDA or the European Medicines Agency for a significant drug candidate program including, without limitation, the following: (1) naloxegol (an oral peripherally-acting opioid antagonist); (2) etirinotecan pegol (a topoisomerase I inhibitor); (3) NKTR-061/Amikacin Inhale (a drug-device combination for an inhaled solution of amikacin); or (4) BAX-855 (a longer-acting (PEGylated) form of a full-length recombinant factor VIII (rFVIII) protein).

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