

NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS

Form 4

December 11, 2014

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Doberstein Stephen K

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O NEKTAR
THERAPEUTICS, 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)
12/09/2014

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
SVP & Chief Scientific Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			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)**

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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. Transaction 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 (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Date of Exercise (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 16.31	12/09/2014		A		50,000		<u>(1)</u>	12/08/2022	Common Stock	50,000
Stock Option	\$ 16.31	12/09/2014		A	V	50,000		<u>(2)</u>	12/08/2022	Common Stock	50,000

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

Gilbert M. Labrucherie, Jr.,
Attorney-in-Fact
12/11/2014

 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 December 9, 2014 and vests in monthly installments over the four-year period following the grant date.
- (2) 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 4 years from the grant date (December 9, 2014). The performance-based vesting condition will be met only if Nektar (or a licensee) files, within five years following the grant date, a new drug registration with the FDA or the European Medicines Agency for a significant drug candidate program (average royalty >7.5%) including, without limitation, the following: (1) etirinotecan pegol; (2) NKTR-061/Amikacin Inhale; (3) Ciprofloxacin Dry Powder for Inhalation; or (4) NKTR-181 (an oral opioid analgesic drug candidate).

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