ROBIN HOWARD W

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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|--|------------|---------|---|--|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** ROBIN HOWARD W | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [NKTR] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS, 455 MISSION BAY BOULEVARD SOUTH | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/19/2019 | _X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) President & CEO | | |
| SAN FRAN | (Street) | . 94158 | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Tabla I - Nan-Darivativa Securities A | canized Disposed of ar Repeticially Owned | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tabl | e I - Non-E | Derivative S | Securi | ities Acqu | iired, Disposed of | f, or Beneficial | y Owned |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--------|--|--------------------|---|---------|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price | | 5. Amount of Securities Ownershi Beneficially Form: Dir Owned (D) or Following Indirect (Instr. 4) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock (1) | 02/19/2019 | | M | 33,333 | A | \$ 7.21 | 350,924 | D | |
| Common Stock (1) | 02/19/2019 | | S | 33,333 | D | \$ 42.32 (2) | 317,591 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/19/2019 | | S | 8,882 (3) | D | \$ 42.39 (4) | 308,709 | D | |
| Common | 02/20/2019 | | M | 33,334 | A | \$ 7.21 | 342,043 | D | |

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| Stock (1) | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|------------|---|--------|---|---------------------------|---------|---|-----------|
| Common Stock (1) | 02/20/2019 | S | 33,334 | D | \$ 43.2 (5) | 308,709 | D | |
| Common Stock (1) | 02/21/2019 | M | 33,333 | A | \$ 7.21 | 342,042 | D | |
| Common Stock (1) | 02/21/2019 | S | 33,333 | D | \$ 41.01 <u>(6)</u> | 308,709 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 410 | I | by spouse |

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of on 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) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|--------|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Common Stock (1) | \$ 7.21 | 02/19/2019 | | M | | 33,333 | 02/08/2016 | 02/07/2020 | Common Stock | 33,333 |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|--|--|--|
| Fg | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| ROBIN HOWARD W | X | | President & CEO | | | | |
| C/O NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS | | | | | | | |
| 455 MISSION BAY BOULEVARD SOUTH | | | | | | | |

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SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94158

Signatures

Mark A. Wilson, Attorney-in-Fact

02/21/2019

**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 transaction was made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by Mr. Robin for certain options expiring on February 7, 2020.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$41.87 to \$42.91. 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.
- Represents the number of shares required to be sold by the reporting person to cover tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of the RSUs held by the reporting person. This sale is mandated by the Issuer's election under its equity incentive plans to require the satisfaction of tax withholding obligations to be funded by a "sell to cover" transaction and does not represent a discretionary trade by the reporting person.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$41.90 to \$42.96. 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.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$42.82 to \$44.04. The price reported above reflects the weighted (5) 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.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$40.24 to \$42.77. 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.

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