FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  BROWN MICHAEL A/CA						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [ NKTR ]								Relationship neck all appl X Direct	icable) or	g Pers	10% Ov	vner	
(Last)	`	irst)	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/16/2005									Officer (give title below)		Other (s below)	specify	
150 INDUSTRIAL ROAD						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) SAN CARLOS CA 94070				_									X Form filed by One Reporting Person 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. Transar Date (Month/Date)						Execution Date,			Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)			ities Acquired (A) o d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a		Benefic	es ially Following	Form (D) o	n: Direct r Indirect sstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transac (Instr. 3	ion(s)			(111501.4)	
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)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		•	7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactie (Instr. 4)	e s lly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$17.98	09/16/2005			A		12,500		(1)	(	09/16/2013	Common Stock	12,500	(2)	107,50	00	D		

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Options for 12,500 shares shall vest monthly over one year commencing on September 16, 2005.
- 2. Not Applicable

/s/ Paula S. Kasler, by Power of 09/19/2005 <u>Attorney</u>

Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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

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