FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* Brainard Diana | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [NKTR] | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Rep (Check all applicable) X Director | | | Reporting Person(s) to Issuer ole) 10% Owner | | | |
|--|--|---------------------------|------------|------------|--|---|------------------|---|-------------------|---|------------------|---|--|------------------------|---|---|---------------|--|---|
| | KTAR THE | rst) RAPEUTICS BLVD SOUTH | (Middle) | 00 | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/11/2021 | | | | | | | | | Officer below) | (give title | | Other (s below) | pecify |
| (Street) SAN FRANCI | | | 94158 | | 4. II | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Indi Line) X | · | | | | |
| (City) | (S | tate) | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Tab | le I - Non | -Deriv | ative | e Se | curities | s Ac | quired, | Disp | osed o | f, or Be | nefic | ially | Owned | | | | |
| Date | | | | | Execu Day/Year) if any | | Execution if any | A. Deemed xecution Date, any Month/Day/Year) | | Transaction D Code (Instr. 5) | | Securities Acquired (A) isposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | | 5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F Reported | s ally following | Form (D) o | : Direct r Indirect str. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) ((D) | r Pri | се | Transact (Instr. 3 a | tion(s) | | | (111511.4) |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | | | 11/11 | 1/2021 (2) | | | A | | 18,360 A | | \$ | 0.00 | 18,360 | | | D | | | |
| | 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 (Instr. 3) 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) 34. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | | | ate, T | ransaction of Dericode (Instr.) Sec Acq (A) Disport of (I | | of Ex | | Expiration | s. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4) | | Derivative Security | | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | lly | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4 | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisal | | xpiration ate | Title | Amou or Numl of Share | per | | | | | |
| Stock Option | \$13.55 | 11/11/2021 | | | A | | 36,720 | | (3) | 1 | 1/10/2029 | Common Stock | 36,7 | 20 | \$0.00 | 36,720 |) | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Common stock was acquired pursuant to a grant of restricted stock units ("RSUs"). Each RSU awarded represents a contingent right to receive, upon vesting of the unit, one share of the Issuer's common
- $2.\ This\ RSU\ award\ vests\ over\ three\ years\ in\ equal\ annual\ installments\ beginning\ on\ November\ 11,\ 2021.$
- 3. This stock option vests in equal monthly installments over the three-year period beginning on November 11, 2021.

Remarks:

Mark A. Wilson, Attorney-in-

11/15/2021

Fact

** 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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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