FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Hora Maninder</u>                    |  |       |         |     |      | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [ NKTR ] |   |        |  |         |                         |   |  | heck a        | all appli<br>Directo  | cable)  | g Pers | son(s) to Iss<br>10% Ov<br>Other (s                               | wner                                  |
|--|--|-------|---------|-----|------|--|---|--------|--|---------|-------------------------|---|--|---------------|---|---|--------|---|---------------------------------------|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS 455 MISSION BAY BOULEVARD SOUTH  |  |       |         |     |      |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/10/2018 |        |  |         |                         |   |  |               | below)  |   | Dev 8  | below)  Mfg Op  |                                       |
| (Street) SAN FRANCISCO CA 94158  |  |       |         |     | 4.1  | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                 |   |        |  |         |                         |   |  | ne)           | vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person |   |        |   |                                       |
| (City)   | (S   | tate) | (Zip)   |     |      |  |   |        |  |         |                         |   |  |               |   |   |        |   |                                       |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |  |       |         |     |      |  |   |        |  |         |                         |   |  |               |   |   |        |   |                                       |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transactic Date (Month/Day/                  |  |       |         |     |      | Execution Date,  |   | Code ( | Transaction Disposed C   |         |                         | d (A) or<br>r. 3, 4 and !   | nd 5) Secur<br>Benef<br>Owne           |               | es<br>ially<br>Following  | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4)   |        | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership               |                                       |
|  |  |       |         |     |      |  |   |        | Code   | v       | Amount                  | (A) or<br>(D)   | Price                                  | 1             |   | ted<br>action(s)<br>3 and 4)  |        |   | (Instr. 4)                            |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> 04/10/20   |  |       |         |     | 2018 | )18  |   | М      |  | 502     | A                       | \$7.21  | 7.21                                   |               | 80,763 <sup>(2)</sup>   |   | D      |   |                                       |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> 04/10/2  |  |       | 2018    | )18 |      | S  |   | 502    | D  | \$105.6 | <b>7</b> <sup>(3)</sup> | 80,261(2)   |  |               | D   |   |        |   |                                       |
|  |  | Т     | able II |     |      |  |   |        |  |         | posed of<br>converti    |   |  | y Ow          | ned   |   |        |   |                                       |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                              | erivative Conversion Date Execution<br>ecurity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any |       |         |     |      | action<br>(Instr.  | tion of   |        | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |         |                         | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Secur<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  | Deriv<br>Secu |   | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction<br>(Instr. 4) | у      | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|  |  |       |         |     | Code | v  | (A)   | (D)    | Date<br>Exercisa   | ıble    | Expiration<br>Date      | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |               |   |   |        |   |                                       |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. This transaction was made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.

04/10/2018

- 2. This number includes 6,500 shares held by the reporting person from the Issuer's ESPP plan. The acquisition of these shares under this plan is exempt under Rule 16b-3(c).
- 3. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$105.03 to \$105.81. 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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## Remarks:

Stock

Option<sup>(1)</sup>

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Stock

Fact

02/07/2020

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

04/12/2018 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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