

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Medve Robert</u>	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 04/04/2012	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [NKTR]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director _____ 10% Owner _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) _____ <u>Chief Medical Officer</u>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)
(Last) (First) (Middle) <u>455 MISSION BAY BOULEVARD SOUTH</u>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(Street) <u>SAN FRANCISCO CA 94158</u>			
(City) (State) (Zip)			

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Employee Stock Option	(1)	03/30/2019	Common Stock	76,500	9.47	D	
Employee Stock Option	(2)	06/12/2019	Common Stock	23,500	7.55	D	
Employee Stock Option	(3)	02/07/2020	Common Stock	75,000	7.21	D	
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Explanation of Responses:

- This option was granted on March 31, 2011 and vests as to 25% of the option on the first anniversary of the grant date and as to the remaining 75% of the option in monthly installments over the three-year period thereafter.
- This option was granted on June 13, 2011 and vests in monthly installments over the four-year period following the grant date.
- This option was granted on February 8, 2012 and vests in monthly installments over the four-year period following the grant date.
- This option was granted on February 8, 2012 and is subject to both time-based vesting and performance-based vesting conditions, both of which must be met before the option becomes vested and exercisable. Under the time-based vesting requirement, the option vests in monthly installments over the four-year period following the grant date. The performance-based vesting condition will be met only if Nektar (or a licensee), within 5 years following the grant date, files a new drug registration with the U.S. FDA or the European Medicines Agency for a significant drug candidate program.

Gil M. Labrucherie04/11/2012

** 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 5 (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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