FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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|--|---|------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|--|---------|--------------------------|--|---|--|-------------------------------|---|---|---|--|--|------------|--|
| Name and Address of Reporting Person* CHESS ROBERT | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [NKTR] | | | | | | | (Ch | S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Officer (give title | | | Other (s | - 1 | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/08/2021 | | | | | | | | below) | | | below) | вреспу | |
| 455 MISSION BAY BOULEVARD SOUTH | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 433 MISSION BAT BOOLEVARD SOUTH | | | | | | If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable | | | | | |
| (Street) | | | | | | 2 | | | | | | | | Line) | | | | | |
| SAN | SAN CA 94158 | | | | | | | | | | | | | X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | | | |
| FRANC | FRANCISCO | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Person | | | | |
| (City) | (S | tate) | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Tab | le I - No | n-Deri | vativ | e Se | curit | ties Ac | quired | , Dis | sposed o | f, or Be | neficial | ly Owned | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D | | | | | r) Ex | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | Transaction Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | | Benefici | es | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | | | | 09/08/2021 | | L | | M | | 8,000 | A | \$13.8 | 3 282 | 2,273 | | D | | | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | | | | 09/08/2021 | | | | S | | 8,000 | D | \$16 ⁽² | 274 | 1,273 | | D | | | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ 09/09 | | | | | /2021 | | | | М | | 10,279 | A | \$13.8 | 3 284 | 1,552 | D | | | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ 09 | | | | 09/09 | 9/2021 | | | | S | | 10,279 | D | \$16.02 | (3) 274 | 1,273 | D | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2,1 | 00(4) | | | by daughter | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2,1 | 00(4) | | I | by son | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2,1 | 100(4) | | | by daughter | | |
| | | - | Table II - | Deriva | ative | Secu | ıritie | es Aca | uired. I | Disr | osed of, | or Bene | eficially | Owned | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | convertil | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any | | | | ransaction code (Instr. | | on of I | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and of Securiti Underlying Derivative (Instr. 3 and | ies g Security nd 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4) | Own Form Direct or In (I) (Ir | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisa | ble | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | \$13.8 | 09/08/2021 | | | M | | | 8,000 | 09/30/20 |)14 | 09/18/2021 | Common Stock | 8,000 | \$0.00 | 10,279 | 9 | D | | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | \$13.8 | 09/09/2021 | | | M | | | 10,279 | 09/30/20 |)14 | 09/18/2021 | Common Stock | 10,279 | \$0.00 | 0 | | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. This transaction was made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person for certain options expiring on September 18, 2021.
- 2. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$15.85 to \$16.14. 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.
- 3. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$15.76 to \$16.26. 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.
- 4. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of these shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

Remarks:

09/10/2021

** 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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