FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS 201 INDUSTRIAL ROAD			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director Director Officer (give title below) Director Other (specify below)			5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
201 INDUSTRIAL ROAD						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
(Street)			SVP and Chief Business Officer		2	X Form filed by One Reporting Person		
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(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. Ownersh Form: Direct or Indirect ((Instr. 5)	irect (D) (Instr. 5)			
Common Stock			8,664	D				
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned								
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)								
Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	(Instr. 5)	
				Amount	Derivative Security	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Number of Shares		(,) (e.ii e)		
Employee Stock Option	(1)	05/13/2011	Common Stock	20,000	31.87	D		
Employee Stock Option	(2)	05/13/2012	2 Common Stock	2,800	7.25	D		
Employee Stock Option	(3)	05/13/2013	Common Stock	1,400	7.84	D		
Employee Stock Option	(4)	02/06/2013	Common Stock	3,000	18.95	D		
Employee Stock Option	(5)	07/31/2013	Common Stock	2,000	18.76	D		
Employee Stock Option	(6)	08/14/2014	Common Stock	15,000	16.39	D		
Employee Stock Option	(7)	03/15/2015	Common Stock	9,900	11.38	D		
Employee Stock Option	(8)	03/19/2016	Common Stock	100,000	6.65	D		
Employee Stock Option	(9)	02/22/2017	Common Stock	40,000	4.65	D		
Employee Stock Option	(10)	02/22/2017	Common Stock	60,000	4.65	D		
Employee Stock Option	(11)	12/10/2017	Common Stock	100,000	9.2	D		
Employee Stock Option	(12)	01/31/2018	Common Stock	60,000	11.34	D		
Employee Stock Option	(13)	01/31/2018	Common Stock	60,000	11.34	D		
Employee Stock Option	(14)	03/21/2018	Common Stock	100,000	15.19	D		
Restricted Stock Unit	(15)	01/31/2014	Common Stock	7,200	0.01	D		
Restricted Stock Unit	(16)	(17)	Common Stock	1,089	0.01	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. 20% of the shares subject to the stock option vested on the first anniversary of the grant date (May 14, 2001) and the remaining shares vested a monthly pro-rata basis over the following 4 years.
- 2. The shares subject to the stock option vested on a monthly pro-rata basis over five years from the grant date (May 14, 2002).
- 3. The shares subject to the stock option vested on a monthly pro-rata basis over five years from the grant date (May 14, 2003).
- 4. The shares subject to the stock option vested on a monthly pro-rata basis over five years from the grant date (February 7, 2005).
- 5. The shares subject to the stock option vest on a monthly pro-rata basis over five years from the grant date (August 1, 2005).
- 6. The shares subject to the stock option vest on a monthly pro-rata basis over five years from the grant date (August 15, 2006).
- 7. The shares subject to the stock option vest on a monthly pro-rata basis over four years from the grant date (March 16, 2007).
- 8. 25% of the shares subject to the stock option vest on the first anniversary of the grant date (March 20, 2008) and the remaining shares vest on a monthly pro-rata basis over the following 3 years.
- 9. The shares subject to the stock option vest on a monthly pro-rata basis over four years from the grant date (February 23, 2009).
- 10. 25% of the shares subject to the stock option vest on the first anniversary of the grant date (February 23, 2009) and the remaining shares vest on a monthly pro-rata basis over the following 3 years.

- 11. 25% of the shares subject to the stock option vest on the first anniversary of the grant date (December 11, 2009) and the remaining shares vest on a monthly pro-rata basis over the following 3 years.
- 12. 25% of the shares subject to the stock option vest on the first anniversary of the grant date (February 1, 2010) and the remaining shares vest on a monthly pro-rata basis over the following 3 years
- 13. The shares subject to the stock option vest on a monthly pro-rata basis over four years from the grant date (February 1, 2010).
- 14. The shares subject to the stock option vest on a monthly pro-rata basis over four years from the grant date (March 22, 2010).
- 15. The shares subject to this restricted stock unit vest based on the achievement of certain corporate milestones.
- 16. The shares subject to this restricted stock unit are vested but not yet released.
- 17. Not applicable.

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** 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).
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