NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES INC Form S-8 July 31, 2009

As filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 31, 2009 Registration No. 333-____

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation

or Organization)

33-0525145 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

12780 El Camino Real San Diego, CA 92130 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Neurocrine Biosciences, Inc. 2003 Incentive Stock Plan, As Amended (Full Title of the Plan) Kevin C. Gorman President and Chief Executive Officer Neurocrine Biosciences, Inc. 12780 El Camino Real San Diego, CA 92130 (Name and Address of Agent for Service) (858) 617-7600 (Telephone Number, Including Area Code, of Agent for Service)

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CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

		Proposed		
Title of Each Class		Maximum	Proposed Maximum	
of Securities to	Amount to be	Offering	Aggregate	Amount of
be Registered	Registered (1)	Price per Share (2)	Offering Price (2)	Registration Fee
Common Stock (par value	500,000 shares (3)	\$3.23	\$1,615,000	\$90
\$0.001 per share)				

- (1) Pursuant to Rule 416(a) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, this Registration Statement also registers any additional shares of the Registrant s common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, or the Common Stock, as may become issuable under any of the plans as a result of any stock split, stock dividend, recapitalization or similar event.
- (2) This estimate is made pursuant to Rule 457(e) and Rule 457(h)(1) of the Securities Act solely for purposes of calculating the registration fee. The price per share and aggregate

offering price are based upon the average of the high and low prices of the Common Stock on July 27, 2009, as reported on the Nasdaq Global Select Market.

(3) Represents

shares reserved for issuance under the Neurocrine Biosciences, Inc. 2003 Incentive Stock Plan, as amended, or the 2003 Plan. Such shares were added to the 2003 Plan pursuant to a share reserve increase approved by the Registrant s stockholders in May 2009.

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INTRODUCTION

This Registration Statement is being filed for the purpose of increasing the number of securities of the same class as other securities for which Registration Statements on Form S-8 relating to the same employee benefit plan are effective. We previously registered shares of our Common Stock for issuance under the 2003 Plan under Registration Statements on Form S-8 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, on June 6, 2003 (File No. 333-105907), September 2, 2004 (File No. 333-118773), August 4, 2005 (File No. 333-127214), July 20, 2006 (File No. 333-135909), November 2, 2007 (File No. 333-147120) and August 1, 2008 (File No. 333-152689). Pursuant to General Instruction E to Form S-8, this Registration Statement hereby incorporates by reference the contents of the Registration Statements referenced above.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of San Diego, State of California, on July 31, 2009.

Neurocrine Biosciences, Inc.

By: /s/ Kevin C. Gorman Kevin C. Gorman President and Chief Executive Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibits:	Description
4.1	Form of Common Stock Certificate (1)
5.1	Opinion of Cooley Godward Kronish LLP
10.1	Neurocrine Biosciences, Inc. 2003 Incentive Stock Plan, as amended, and form of stock option agreement and restricted stock unit agreement (2)
23.1	Consent of Cooley Godward Kronish LLP (included as Exhibit 5.1 to this filing)
23.2	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm
24.1	Power of Attorney (included on the signature page hereto)
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 (1) Incorporated by reference to the Company s Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Registration No. 333-03172)

(2) Incorporated by reference to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on July 30, 2009

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