

Northstar Neuroscience, Inc.
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BARCLAYS PLC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Northstar Neuroscience, Inc. [NSTR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1 CHURCHILL PLACE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
01/05/2009

____ Director 10% Owner
 ____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

LONDON, X0 E14 5HP
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	01/05/2009		S		7,900	D	Securities are held by Barclays Capital Inc., a subsidiary of Barclays PLC
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	01/05/2009		S		800	D	Securities are held by Barclays Capital Inc., a
					\$ 1.25		
					4,441,558	I	
					\$ 1.26		
					4,440,758	I	

Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	01/05/2009	S	3,400	D	\$ 1.6	4,437,358	I	subsidiary of Barclays PLC Securities are held by Barclays Capital Inc., a subsidiary of Barclays PLC
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	01/05/2009	S	11,100	D	\$ 1.65	4,426,258	I	Securities are held by Barclays Capital Inc., a subsidiary of Barclays PLC
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	01/05/2009	S	13,900	D	\$ 1.74	4,412,358	I	Securities are held by Barclays Capital Inc., a subsidiary of Barclays PLC
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	01/05/2009	S	233,600	D	\$ 1.75	4,178,758	I	Securities are held by Barclays Capital Inc., a subsidiary of Barclays PLC
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	01/05/2009	S	176,900	D	\$ 1.76	4,001,858	I	Securities are held by Barclays Capital Inc., a subsidiary of Barclays PLC
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	01/05/2009	S	20,700	D	\$ 1.77	3,981,158	I	Securities are held by Barclays Capital

Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	01/05/2009	S	9,400	D	\$ 1.79	3,971,758	I	Inc., a subsidiary of Barclays PLC Securities are held by Barclays Capital Inc., a subsidiary of Barclays PLC
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	01/05/2009	S	300	D	\$ 1.8	3,971,458	I	Securities are held by Barclays Capital Inc., a subsidiary of Barclays PLC
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	01/05/2009	S	4,300	D	\$ 1.82	3,967,158	I	Securities are held by Barclays Capital Inc., a subsidiary of Barclays PLC
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	01/06/2009	S	700	D	\$ 1.76	3,966,458	I	Securities are held by Barclays Capital Inc., a subsidiary of Barclays PLC
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	01/06/2009	S	12,300	D	\$ 1.77	3,954,158	I	Securities are held by Barclays Capital Inc., a subsidiary of Barclays PLC
Common Stock, \$0.001 par	01/06/2009	S	600	D	\$ 1.79	3,953,558	I	Securities are held by Barclays

value								Capital Inc., a subsidiary of Barclays PLC
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	01/06/2009	S	2,600	D	\$ 1.8	3,950,958	I	Securities are held by Barclays Capital Inc., a subsidiary of Barclays PLC
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	01/06/2009	S	1,500	D	\$ 1.81	3,949,458	I	Securities are held by Barclays Capital Inc., a subsidiary of Barclays PLC
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	01/07/2009	S	104,764	D	\$ 1.8	3,844,694	I	Securities are held by Barclays Capital Inc., a subsidiary of Barclays PLC
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	01/07/2009	S	2,200	D	\$ 1.81	3,842,494	I	Securities are held by Barclays Capital Inc., a subsidiary of Barclays PLC

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BARCLAYS PLC 1 CHURCHILL PLACE LONDON, X0 E14 5HP		X		

Signatures

Eleanor Crossley 01/09/2009

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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