

PATTON JOHN STUART
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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 *
 PATTON JOHN STUART

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS
 [NKTR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 150 INDUSTRIAL ROAD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/13/2006

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

SAN CARLOS, CA 94070
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	01/13/2006		S ⁽¹⁾	10,000 D	\$ 20	523,657	I	By John S. Patton & Jamie S. Patton TTEES of the Patton Revocable Trust Dated July 2, 1997
Common Stock	01/13/2006		S ⁽¹⁾	1,600 D	\$ 20.08	522,057	I	By John S. Patton &

Common Stock	01/13/2006	<u>S(1)</u>	8,400	D	\$ 20.07	513,657	I	Jamie S. Patton TTEES of the Patton Revocable Trust Dated July 2, 1997 By John S. Patton & Jamie S. Patton TTEES of the Patton Revocable Trust Dated July 2, 1997
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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)

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
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
	X		Chief Scientific Officer	

PATTON JOHN STUART
150 INDUSTRIAL ROAD
SAN CARLOS, CA 94070

Signatures

/s/ Paula S. Kasler, by power of
attorney

01/16/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* 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).

(1) The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person.

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