

Minerva Neurosciences, Inc.

Form 4

December 29, 2016

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Ahlholm Frederick W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O MINERVA
NEUROSCIENCES, INC., 1601
TRAPELO ROAD, SUITE 284

(Street)

WALTHAM, MA 02451

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
Minerva Neurosciences, Inc.
[NERV]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/27/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
SVP, Chief Accounting Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X 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 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)
Common Stock	12/27/2016		M	12,000	A \$ 4.71	22,000	D
Common Stock	12/27/2016		S ⁽¹⁾	17,000	D \$ (2) 12.51	5,000	D

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.71	12/27/2016		M	12,000	⁽³⁾ 12/03/2025	Common Stock	12,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Ahlholm Frederick W C/O MINERVA NEUROSCIENCES, INC. 1601 TRAPELO ROAD, SUITE 284 WALTHAM, MA 02451	SVP, Chief Accounting Officer

Signatures

/s/ Mark Levine,
Attorney-in-Fact 12/29/2016

__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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(1) These sales were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on November 22, 2016.

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$12.20 - \$13.00, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in footnote (2) to this Form 4.

(3) This option vested as to 25% of the shares on December 4, 2016 and then in quarterly installments over 3 years thereafter.

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