Minerva Neurosciences, Inc.

Form 4

January 06, 2017

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Levine Mark S. Issuer Symbol Minerva Neurosciences, Inc. (Check all applicable) [NERV] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O MINERVA 01/04/2017 SVP, General Counsel & Sec. NEUROSCIENCES, INC., 1601 TRAPELO ROAD, SUITE 284 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting WALTHAM, MA 02451 Person

(City)	(State)	Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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	01/04/2017		M	17,250	A	\$ 4.71	17,250	D	
Common Stock	01/04/2017		M	250	A	\$ 5.19	17,500	D	
Common Stock	01/04/2017		S <u>(1)</u>	17,500	D	\$ 12	0	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 orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.71	01/04/2017		M	17,250	(2)	12/03/2025	Common Stock	17,250
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 5.19	01/04/2017		M	250	(3)	04/13/2025	Common Stock	250

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Levine Mark S. C/O MINERVA NEUROSCIENCES, INC. 1601 TRAPELO ROAD, SUITE 284 WALTHAM, MA 02451

SVP, General Counsel & Sec.

Signatures

/s/ Mark Levine 01/06/2017

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) These sales were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on November 22, 2016.
- (2) This option vests as follows: 25% on December 4, 2016 and then in quarterly installments over 3 years thereafter.
- (3) This option vests as follows: 25% on April 14, 2016; and then in quarterly installments over 3 years thereafter.

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