NEWLINK GENETICS CORP

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Wiley Brian

(First)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

NEWLINK GENETICS CORP

[(NLNK)]

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) below) 01/13/2014

Other (specify X_ Officer (give title VP of Business Development

C/O NEWLINK GENETICS CORPORATION, 2503 SOUTH LOOP DRIVE, SUITE 5100

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

AMES, IA 50010

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securiti our Disposo (Instr. 3, 4) Amount	ed of	` ′	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	01/13/2014		M	10,000	A	\$ 11.79	16,826 <u>(1)</u>	D			
Common Stock	01/13/2014		S(2)	10,000	D	\$ 25.1838 (3)	6,826 <u>(1)</u>	D			
Common Stock	01/15/2014		M	10,000	A	\$ 11.79	16,826 <u>(1)</u>	D			
Common Stock	01/15/2014		S(2)	10,000	D	\$ 30	6,826 <u>(1)</u>	D			

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	TransactionDerivative Code Securities		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	
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 11.79	01/13/2014		M	10,000	<u>(4)</u>	01/13/2023	Common Stock	10,000	
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 11.79	01/15/2014		M	10,000	<u>(4)</u>	01/13/2023	Common Stock	10,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Wiley Brian C/O NEWLINK GENETICS CORPORATION 2503 SOUTH LOOP DRIVE, SUITE 5100 AMES, IA 50010

VP of Business Development

Signatures

/s/ Gordon Link, by power of attorney 01/15/2014

**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) Includes 5,700 restricted stock units ("RSUs") previously reported as holdings of the Reporting Person granted under the Issuer's 2009 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). The RSUs will vest, and shares will be delivered to the Reporting Person in a series of four successive

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annual installments beginning on January 2, 2015, provided in each case that the Reporting Person's continuous service to the Issuer has not been terminated as defined in or as determined under the Plan.

- (2) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on 12/18/2013.
 - The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$25.00
- to \$25.48, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the issuer, any security holder of issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the ranges set forth in footnote 3 to this Form 4.
- (4) 1/4th of the shares vest on January 14, 2014, which is one year after the vesting commencement date. 1/48th of the shares vest monthly thereafter over the next three years.

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