

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Saluri Joseph</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O NEWLINK GENETICS CORP.</u> <u>2503 SOUTH LOOP DR., SUITE 5100</u> (Street) <u>AMES IA 50010</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>11/10/2011</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>NEWLINK GENETICS CORP [NLNK]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) <u>11/10/2011</u> 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Stock Option (right to buy)	03/03/2011 ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	03/02/2020	Common Stock	11,904	3.07	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	03/03/2011 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	03/02/2020	Common Stock	4,761	3.07	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Grant to the Reporting Person of a stock option under the Issuer's 2009 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). The option vests over a three-year period, with 33% of such option vesting on the one-year anniversary of the vesting commencement date and the remaining 67% of such option vesting in equal monthly installments over the next 24 months, provided that at the relevant vesting dates the Reporting Person's continuous service to the Issuer has not been terminated as defined in or as determined under the Plan. The option expires ten years after the date of grant.
- The option vests over a two-year period, with 50% of such option vesting on the one-year anniversary of the vesting commencement date and the remaining 50% of such option vesting in equal monthly installments over the next 12 months, provided that at the relevant vesting dates the Reporting Person's continuous service to the Issuer has not been terminated as defined in or as determined under the Plan. The option expires ten years after the date of grant.
- Option grant was reported as one grant totaling 16,666 with three year vesting on the Reporting Person's original Form 3. One less share resulted from post-split rounding applied to the two new grants.

/s/ Daniel Wobbekind, by 11/14/2011
power of attorney

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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).

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