FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Saluri Joseph				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEWLINK GENETICS CORP [ (NLNK) ]												10% Owner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O NEWLINK GENETICS CORPORATION 2503 SOUTH LOOP DR., SUITE 5100					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/30/2015									Officer (give title	below)		Other (spe	ecify below)
(Street) AMES IA 50010 (City) (State) (Zip)				If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individu	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
			1	able I -	Non-Der	ivative S	ecurities A	cquired,	Dispo	sed of,	or Bene	ficially Owr	ied					
2. The of occurry (mon o)				2. Transact Date (Month/Day	Exe	2A. Deemed Execution Date, ar) if any		3. Transaction 4. Securi 3, 4 and		ities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D 5)		```	D) (Instr. 5. Amount of Securit Beneficially Owned F Reported Transaction		6. Ownersh Direct (D) o (Instr. 4)	ip Form: r Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.	
					(Mo	(Month/Day/Year)	Code	V I	Amount	17117			(Instr. 3 and 4)				4)	
Common Stock				04/30/2015			A	A 1,5		)62 <sup>(1)</sup>	Α	\$0	16,048		D			
				Table I			urities Acc ls, warrant					ially Owner es)	i					
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. Transac (Instr. 8)	tion Code	Securities	umber of Derivative urities Acquired (A) or losed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following	For (D)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		piration te	Title		Amount or Number of Share	es	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	í I		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$44.6	04/30/2015		A		3,643		(2)	04/	29/2025	Comn	non Stock	3,643	\$0	3,643	3	D	

- 1. Automatic grant to the Reporting Person of restricted stock units ("RSUs") under the Issuer's 2010 Non-Employee Directors' Stock Award Plan (the "Plan"). One hundred percent (100%) of the RSUs will vest on the earlier of (i) the first anniversary of the date of grant and (ii) the date of grant and (ii) the date of the first Annual Meeting following the date of grant, in each case subject to the Reporting Person's continuous service as of such date.

  2. Automatic grant to the Reporting Person of a nonstatutory stock option under the Plan. One hundred percent (100%) of the shares shall vest on the earlier of (i) the first anniversary of the date of grant and (ii) the date of the first Annual Meeting following the date of grant, in each case subject to the Reporting Person's continuous service as of such date. The option expires ten years after the date of grant.

/s/ Ryan Trytten, attorney-in-fact

05/04/2015

\*\* 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 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).

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### POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Charles J. Link, Jr., John B. Henneman III, Carl W. Langren and Ryan D. Trytten,

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director and/or more than 10% stockholder of NewLink Genetics Corpo
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5,
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney in fact, may be of benefit to, in the best The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney in fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessar This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the earliest to occur of (a) the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 v.

  IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 29th day of October, 2014.

/s/ Joseph Saluri JOSEPH SALURI