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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Chodakewitz Jeffrey

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

C/O VERTEX

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

INC / MA [VRTX]

X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner _ Other (specify

below) 07/19/2017 EVP GMDA, CMO

PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED, 50 NORTHERN

AVENUE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Director

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

BOSTON, MA 02210

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	ution Date, if Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		(D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	07/19/2017		M	6,303	A	\$ 96.87	128,814	D	
Common Stock	07/19/2017		M	32,343	A	\$ 109.14	161,157	D	
Common Stock	07/19/2017		S <u>(1)</u>	39,833	D	\$ 161	121,324	D	
Common Stock	07/21/2017		S <u>(1)</u>	700	D	\$ 158.08	120,624	D	

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Common Stock	07/21/2017	S <u>(1)</u>	1,000	D	\$ 158.92 (3) (4)	119,624	D
Common Stock	07/21/2017	S <u>(1)</u>	400	D	\$ 159.85 (3) (5)	119,224	D
Common Stock	07/21/2017	S <u>(1)</u>	3,464	D	\$ 161.38 (3) (6)	115,760	D
Common Stock	07/21/2017	S <u>(1)</u>	1,336	D	\$ 162.04 (3) (7)	114,424	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. Transactic 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)	\$ 96.87	07/19/2017		M	6,303	<u>(8)</u>	07/14/2024	Common Stock	6,303
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 109.14	07/19/2017		M	32,343	<u>(9)</u>	02/02/2025	Common Stock	32,343

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners 2

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Chodakewitz Jeffrey C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED 50 NORTHERN AVENUE BOSTON, MA 02210

EVP GMDA, CMO

Signatures

/s/ Omar White, Attorney-in-Fact

07/21/2017

**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) Transaction made pursuant to Dr. Chodakewitz's company-approved trading plan under Rule 10b5-1.
- (2) Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$158.08 (range \$157.48 to \$158.41).
- (3) Dr. Chodakewitz undertakes to provide (upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer) full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (4) Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$158.92 (range \$158.61 to \$159.48).
- (5) Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$159.85 (range \$159.64 to \$160.25).
- (6) Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$161.38 (range \$160.90 to \$161.89).
- (7) Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$162.04 (range \$161.90 to \$162.38).
- (8) The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 7/15/2014.
- (9) The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 2/3/2015.

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