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## FORM 4

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1(b).

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Parini Michael Issuer Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS (Check all applicable) INC / MA [VRTX] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title \_ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 50 NORTHERN AVENUE 02/06/2018 EVP, CL&AO (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

BOSTON, MA 02210

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-Do	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	quired, Disposed o	of, 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired n(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/06/2018		A	18,204 (1)	A	\$0	43,697	D	
Common Stock	02/06/2018		A	8,437 (2)	A	\$0	52,134	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 or Derivative 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)	\$ 155.57	02/06/2018		A	19,566	(3)	02/05/2028	Common Stock	19,566

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Parini Michael							
50 NORTHERN AVENUE			EVP, CL&AO				

## **Signatures**

BOSTON, MA 02210

/s/ Omar White, Attorney-in-Fact 02/08/2018

\*\*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).
- Represents earned performance shares with respect to a performance stock unit award granted on 2/3/2017 that contained both performance-vesting and service-vesting requirements. The issuer's management development and compensation committee certified as to the level of performance-goal attainment on 2/6/2018. The earned performance shares remain subject to the service-vesting requirements and will vest in three equal installments on 2/10/2018, 2/10/2019 and 2/10/2020.
- (2) Restricted stock unit award that vests in three equal installments on 2/17/2019, 2/17/2020 and 2/17/2021.
- (3) The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 2/6/2018.

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