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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LEIDEN JEFFREY M</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED 50 NORTHERN AVENUE  (Street) BOSTON MA 02210  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [ VRTX ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) CEO & President
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/06/2019	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	05/06/2019		M		30,758	A	\$77.31	136,953	D	
Common Stock	05/06/2019		S <sup>(1)</sup>		30,758	D	\$175.01 <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	106,195	D	
Common Stock	05/06/2019		M		2,300	A	\$77.31	108,495	D	
Common Stock	05/06/2019		S <sup>(1)</sup>		2,300	D	\$175.02 <sup>(3)(4)</sup>	106,195	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$77.31	05/06/2019		M		30,758	(5)	02/04/2024	Common Stock	30,758	\$0.00	171,762	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$77.31	05/06/2019		M		2,300	(5)	02/04/2024	Common Stock	2,300	\$0.00	169,462	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Transaction made pursuant to Dr. Leiden's company approved trading plan under Rule 10b5-1.
- Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$175.01 (range \$175.00 to \$175.13).
- Dr. Leiden 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.
- Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$175.02 (range \$175.00 to \$175.13).
- Fully vested.

**Remarks:**

/s/ Omar White, Attorney-in-Fact 05/08/2019

\*\* 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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