FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* SMITH IAN F						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]									5. Relationship o (Check all applica Director X Officer		g Perso	10% Ow Other (s	ner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED 50 NORTHERN AVENUE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/02/2016								A	EVP & CFO				
JU NORTHERN AVENUE					_ 4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) BOSTON MA 02210													X	Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	City) (State) (Zip)																		
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)				2. Transac Date (Month/Da		Exec if an	Deemed ecution Date, ny onth/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar			Benefic Owned		es ally Following	Form:	: Direct 0 · Indirect E str. 4) 0	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transact (Instr. 3	tion(s)			Instr. 4)
Common Stock				02/02/2016					A		17,299(1)	A	\$0.	01	125	5,083		D	
Common Stock				02/03/2016					S ⁽²⁾		5,000	D	\$89.9)(3)(4) 1),083		D	
Common Stock				02/03/2016					S ⁽²⁾		4,232	D	\$90.9	7(4)(5)	115	5,851		D	
Common Stock				02/03/2016				S ⁽²⁾		1,200	D	\$91.6	8(4)(6)	114	114,651		D		
Common Stock 0				02/03/	02/03/2016				S ⁽²⁾		1,652	D	\$92.7	3(4)(7)	112,999			D	
Common Stock														5,306			I	401(k)	
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)	if any	emed on Date, (Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)				6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/		ate	7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		D S	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A) (D)	(D)	Date Exerci	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er					
Stock Option (Right to	\$91.05	02/02/2016			A		34,482		(8)		02/01/2016	Common Stock	34,4	82	\$0.00	34,482	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \end{bmatrix}$	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Restricted stock unit award that vests in three equal installments on 2/10/2017, 2/10/2018 and 2/10/2019.
- $2.\ Transaction\ made\ pursuant\ to\ Mr.\ Smith's\ company\ approved\ trading\ plan\ under\ Rule\ 10b5-1.$
- 3. Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$89.90 (range \$89.31 to \$90.27).
- 4. Mr. Smith 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.
- 5. Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$90.97 (range \$90.32 to \$91.30).
- 6. Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$91.68 (range \$91.33 to \$92.23).
- 7. Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$92.73 (range \$92.34 to \$93.20).
- 8. The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 02/02/2016.

Remarks:

Omar White, Attorney-In-Fact 02/04/2016

** 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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