FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  ALTSHULER DAVID						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [ VRTX ]										tionship of Reportir all applicable) Director Officer (give title		10%	Owner (specify	
(Last)	(Fii	rst) (1	Middle)													belov	v)	belo	w)	
C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/15/2018										EVP	, Global Re	esearch and	CSO	
50 NORTHERN AVENUE					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street)															X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
BOSTON MA 02210																Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(St	ate) (2	Zip)																	
		Tabl	e I - Noi	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curiti	es Ac	quire	d, Dis	sposed o	of, o	r Ber	efici	ally (	Owne	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Exe ay/Year) if ar		Execution f any	A. Deemed kecution Date, any lonth/Day/Year)				ties Acquired (A) I Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			l and 5) Sed Bei		ount of ties cially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
										v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Tra		action(s) 3 and 4)		(111501.4)	
Common Stock 11/1					11/15/2018				S <sup>(1)</sup>		100 D		D	\$163	3.75	5 39,113		D		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	n Date,		ransaction ode (Instr.		of		Exerc tion Da //Day/Y		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Inst and 4)		J			9. Number o derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

 $1.\ Transaction\ made\ pursuant\ to\ Dr.\ Altshuler's\ company\ approved\ trading\ plan\ under\ Rule\ 10b5-1.$ 

## Remarks:

/s/ Omar White, Attorney-in-

**Fact** 

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

11/19/2018

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).
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