FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  CORDES EUGENE				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [ VRTX ]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
CORDES EUGENE											$ \overline{\mathbf{M}} $	Directo	r	10% Ov	vner	
(Last)	(First) (Middle)											Officer below)	(give title	Other (s below)	specify	
C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/01/2009											
130 WAVERLY STREET				4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. In	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable				
(Street)											Line		led by One Re	norting Perso	n	
CAMBRIDGE MA 02139			02139									Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(5	State)	(Zip)													
		Tal	ole I - Non-D	Derivativ	⁄e Se	curitie	s Ac	quired, Di	sposed o	f, or Ber	eficiall	y Owned				
Date						Date,	Code (Instr. 5)			d (A) or r. 3, 4 and	5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s Fo ally (D ollowing (I)	rm: Direct ) or Indirect (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
							Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)		(Instr. 4)		
			Table II - De (e.					uired, Dis <sub>l</sub>				Owned	·			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security			Code (Instr.		5. Number of		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	(A)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option	\$29.89	06/01/2009		A		20,000		06/01/2009 <sup>(1)</sup>	05/31/2019	Common Stock	20,000	\$0	20,000	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Right to buy under 2006 Stock and Option Plan. Fullly vested.

## Remarks:

Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-

06/03/2009

In-Fact \*\* 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).
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