FORM 4

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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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* SMITH IAN F					VE	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]								(Check all a				Owner (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/18/2010								Λ	belov	,	belo & CFO	w)`
(Street) CAMBR (City)		1A (02139 (Zip)		4. If	Amen	dment,	Date	of Origii	nal Fil	ed (Month/Da	ay/Year)		5. Indiv Line) X	Forn	n filed by One n filed by Mor	Filing (Check Reporting Pere than One R	erson
		Tabl	le I - N	lon-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quire	d, Di	sposed o	f, or B	enefic	ially (Owne	ed		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/)				Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 1)				d 5) Securit Benefic		icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 05/18/20				010	10		S ⁽¹⁾		774	D	\$37.68	3(2)(3)	3	9,877	D			
Common Stock														4,689	I	401(k)		
		Та	able II								osed of, convertib				vned			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversior or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		if any	tion Date,	4. Transa Code (8)		5. Nu of Deriv Secul Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	ative rities ired osed	6. Date Expira (Monti	ation D		7. Title Amoun Securit Underly Derivat Securit and 4)	t of ies /ing			9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Transaction made pursuant to Mr. Smith's company approved trading plan established under Rule 10b5-1.
- 2. Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$37.68 (range \$37.45 to \$37.97).
- 3. 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.

Remarks:

Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-**In-Fact**

05/19/2010

** 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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