FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  SACHS BRUCE I				<u>V</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [ VRTX ]									k all application	able)	g Pers	on(s) to Issu 10% Ow Other (s	ner	
	•	irst) RMACEUTICA	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/16/2018							below)	Aire une		below)	роспу		
50 NORTHERN AVENUE				4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
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	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
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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)	c	Code (Ins				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securitie Beneficia Owned Following Reported	e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha	er		Transacti (Instr. 4)	ion(s)		
Deferred Stock Units	(1)	01/16/2018			A 20		261.905		(1)		(1)	Common Stock	261.9	905	\$157.5 6,119.4		169	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Each deferred stock unit represents one share of common stock and is paid out in common stock upon the earliest to occur of (i) the termination of Mr. Sachs' service on our board of directors, (ii) a change of control of our company and (iii) Mr. Sachs' disability or death.

## Remarks:

/s/ Omar White, Attorney-in-

01/17/2018

**Fact** 

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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