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* BOGER JOSHUA S					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC /								(Che	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
BUGER JUSTIUA 5					M	MA [VRTX]								X	Director	r		10% Ov	vner
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)											<u> </u>	Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify
C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Chairman & CEO Chairman & CEO													
130 WAVERLY STREET						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable											dicable		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)												. 0.00				
		Ta	ble I - No	n-Der	ivativ	/e Se	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or	Bene	ficially	/ Owned				
D			Date	Date		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year		Code (Instr.) Securitie Beneficia Owned F	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		: Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(4	A) or D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 02/03				03/200	05			A		16,625	(1)	A	\$0.01	988	,202		D		
Common Stock														10,	920		I .	401(k)	
Common Stock														207	,500		T I	shares in trust ⁽²⁾	
			Table II -								osed of, onvertib				Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) 1. Title of Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisi Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea			7. Title and A of Securities Underlying Derivative Se (Instr. 3 and 4		ecurity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Co	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration cisable Date Title		1	Amount or Jumber of Shares						
Stock	\$10.41	02/03/2005			A		72,188		05/03/2005	(3)	02/02/2015	Comi		72,188	\$0	1,579,9	11	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Stock grant made under 1996 Stock and Option Plan, vesting on 02/03/2009, subject to acceleration upon achievement of certain performance-based milestones.
- 2. Shares held in trust for Dr. Boger's children. Dr. Boger disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.
- 3. Right to buy under 1996 Stock and Option Plan, vesting in 16 equal quarterly installments from 02/03/2005.

Remarks:

Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-

02/07/2005

** 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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