#### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington,	D.C.	20549

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     SMITH IAN F				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [ VRTX ]										Check all	ship of Reporti applicable) irector fficer (give title		10% C			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/13/2006										X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  EVP & CFO						
130 WAVERLY STREET  (Street)  CAMBRIDGE MA 02139  (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ine) <mark>X</mark> F F					
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D.				Execution Date,		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ities Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			nd Se Be Ov	Amount of curities neficially ned Following ported	Fo (D)	Ownership orm: Direct ) or Indirect (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					
										Code	v	Amount	() (I	A) or O)	Price	Tra	nsaction(s) str. 3 and 4)			(111511.4)
Common	Stock				12/13	2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		480		D	\$38	.55	80,530		D			
Common	Stock													4,302		I	401(k)			
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	erivative Conversion Date Execution Date, ecurity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of E		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)			8. Price Derivati Security (Instr. 5)	e derivative	y Ow Fo Dir or (I)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
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# **Explanation of Responses:**

#### Remarks:

Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-

**In-Fact** 

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

12/14/2006

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

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<sup>1.</sup> Transaction made pursuant to Mr. Smith's company approved trading plan established under Rule 10b5-1.