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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| 1. Name an | <u>V</u> | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX] | | | | | | | | tionship of Reportir all applicable) Director | 10% (| Owner | | | | | |
|--|------------|---|-----------------|------------|--|--|---|------------------|-------------------|--|---|--------------------------------------|------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED 50 NORTHERN AVENUE | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/10/2020 | | | | | | | X | Officer (give title Other (specify below) CEO & President | | | |
| (Street) BOSTON MA 02210 | | | | | 4.1 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | 6. Indiv Line) X | vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |
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| Date | | | | | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | action (Instr. | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an | | | 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | |
| | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (Instr. 4) | |
| Common | Stock | | | 02/10/20 |)20 | | | F | | 36,755 | D | \$240 | 0.95 | 180,063 | D | | |
| Common | Stock | | | 02/11/20 | 20 | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 2,800 | D | \$243.3 | 37 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾ | 177,263 | D | | |
| Common Stock | | | | 02/11/2020 | | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 4,124 | D | \$244. | 56 ⁽²⁾⁽⁴⁾ | 173,139 | D | | |
| Common | Stock | | | 02/11/20 | 20 | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 14,024 | D | \$245.3 | 37 ⁽²⁾⁽⁵⁾ | 159,115 | D | | |
| Common | Stock | | | 02/11/20 | 20 | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 14,433 | D | \$246.2 | 27(2)(6) | 144,682 | D | | |
| Common | Stock | | | 02/11/20 | 20 | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 7,533 | D | \$247.4 | 49 ⁽²⁾⁽⁷⁾ | 137,149 | D | | |
| Common Stock 0 | | | | 02/11/2020 | | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 4,609 | D | \$248.4 | 45 ⁽²⁾⁽⁸⁾ | 132,540 | D | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 440 | I | 401(k) | |
| | | Та | ble I | | | | | | | sposed of, , convertil | | | | vned | | | |
| Derivative Conversion Date Executity Or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if an | | | Execu if any | | | S. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | e (Mo | iration | ercisable and Date y/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) | | Deriv Secu (Inst | ity Securities | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | of Respons | | | | Code | v | (A) (D | Date Exe | e rcisabl | Expiration e Date | Title | Amoun or Numbe of Shares | | | | | |

- $1.\ Transaction\ made\ pursuant\ to\ Dr.\ Leiden's\ company\ approved\ trading\ plan\ under\ Rule\ 10b5-1.$
- 2. Dr. Leiden 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.
- 3. Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$243.37 (range \$242.88 to \$243.84).
- 4. Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$244.56 (range \$243.91 to \$244.90).
- 5. Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$245.37 (range \$244.91 to \$245.90).
- 6. Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$246.27 (range \$245.91 to \$246.87).
- 7. Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$247.49 (range \$246.92 to \$247.88).
- 8. Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$248.45 (range \$248.02 to \$248.97).

Remarks:

/s/ Omar White, Attorney-in-

02/12/2020

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).
- ** 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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