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*  SMITH IAN F					VE	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [ VRTX ]								5. Relationship of Reportin (Check all applicable) Director  Officer (give title			g Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner Other (specify					
(Last)		(First)	`	Middle)		3. D	Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)									X Officer (give title below)			below)			
C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED						01/21/2011																
130 WAVERLY STREET					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)								
(Street)															X Form filed by One Reporting Person							
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(City)		(State)	(2	Zip)																		
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/N					Execution Date,					Acquired (A) or (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar		nd 5) Secur Benet		icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect						
							Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	1	ransa	action(s) 3 and 4)		(11311. 4)						
Common Stock 01/			01/21/2	011	11			<b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		6,042	D	\$39.93	3(2)(3)	33,835		D						
Common Stock													4,689		I	401(k)						
			Ta	ble II								osed of, convertib				ned						
Derivative Conversion Da			(Month/Day/Year) if any		tion Date, Trans		action (Instr. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		ative rities ired osed	Expira	e Exerc ation D h/Day/`		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		8. Price Deriva Securi (Instr.	ivative urity	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction( (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indire (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)			
						Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci	isable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of Shares								

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Transaction made pursuant to Mr. Smith's company approved trading plan established under Rule 10b5-1.
- $2. Open \ market \ sales \ reported \ on \ this \ line \ occurred \ at \ a \ weighted \ average \ price \ of \ \$39.93 \ (range \ \$39.75 \ to \ \$40.04).$
- 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:

<u>Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-</u> <u>In-Fact</u>

01/25/2011

\*\* 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).
- \*\* 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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