FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* **VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC /** (Check all applicable) **SACHS BRUCE I** Director 10% Owner MA [VRTX] Officer (give title Other (specify (Last) (First) (Middle) below) below) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Dav/Year) C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS 04/17/2017 **INCORPORATED** 50 NORTHERN AVENUE 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) (Street) Form filed by One Reporting Person **BOSTON** 02210 MA Form filed by More than One Reporting (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) Transaction **Execution Date** Form: Direct Securities Indirect (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year) Code (Instr. 5) Beneficially (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Beneficial 8) Ownership (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price 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)	4. Transa Code (8)		ction Derivative		Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr.		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)					
Deferred Stock Units	(1)	04/17/2017		A		360.011		(1)	(1)	Common Stock	360.011	\$114.58	2,334.246	D				

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

04/19/2017 Omar White, Attorney-In-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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^{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) 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.