

ALTSHULER DAVID

Form 4

July 21, 2017

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ALTSHULER DAVID

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O VERTEX
PHARMACEUTICALS
INCORPORATED, 50 NORTHERN
AVENUE

(Street)

BOSTON, MA 02210

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS
INC / MA [VRTX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
07/19/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
EVP, Global Research and CSO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	07/19/2017		M	8,979 A	\$ 91.05	114,990	D
Common Stock	07/19/2017		M	20,000 A	\$ 81.54	134,990	D
Common Stock	07/19/2017		S ⁽¹⁾	28,979 D	\$ 161	106,011	D

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

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 91.05	07/19/2017		M	8,979	(2) 02/01/2026	Common Stock	8,979
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 81.54	07/19/2017		M	20,000	(3) 05/31/2023	Common Stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
ALTSHULER DAVID C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED 50 NORTHERN AVENUE BOSTON, MA 02210	Director 10% Owner Officer Other EVP, Global Research and CSO

Signatures

Omar White,
Attorney-In-Fact 07/21/2017

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* 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).

(1) Transaction made pursuant to Dr. Altshuler's company approved trading plan under Rule 10b5-1.

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(2) The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 02/02/2016.

(3) Fully vested.

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