

Chodakewitz Jeffrey  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Chodakewitz Jeffrey

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 EVP GMDA, CMO

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 C/O VERTEX  
 PHARMACEUTICALS  
 INCORPORATED, 50 NORTHERN  
 AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 10/16/2017

(Street)  
 BOSTON, MA 02210

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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	10/16/2017		M	V	1,718 A \$ 96.87	116,142	D
Common Stock	10/16/2017		S <sup>(1)</sup>		300 D \$ 153.42	115,842	D
					(2) (3)		
Common Stock	10/16/2017		S <sup>(1)</sup>		818 D \$ 154.76	115,024	D
					(2) (4)		

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Common Stock	10/16/2017		<u>S</u> (1)	300	D	\$ 155.92 (2)	114,724	D
Common Stock	10/16/2017		<u>S</u> (1)	300	D	\$ 157.38 (2)	114,424	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. F Der Sec (In	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 96.87	10/16/2017		M	1,718	(5) 07/14/2024	Common Stock	1,718	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Chodakewitz Jeffrey C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED 50 NORTHERN AVENUE BOSTON, MA 02210			EVP GMDA, CMO	

## Signatures

/s/ Omar White,  
Attorney-in-Fact

10/18/2017

\_\_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. Chodakewitz's company-approved trading plan under Rule 10b5-1.
- (2) Dr. Chodakewitz 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 \$153.42 (range \$153.11 to \$153.58).
- (4) Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$154.76 (range \$154.50 to \$155.15).
- (5) The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 7/15/2014.

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