

ALTSHULER DAVID  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
ALTSHULER DAVID

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
08/28/2018

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP, Global Research and CSO

C/O VERTEX  
PHARMACEUTICALS  
INCORPORATED, 50 NORTHERN  
AVENUE

(Street)

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

BOSTON, MA 02210

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |  |
| Common Stock                    | 08/28/2018                           |  | M                              | 2,125   | A \$ 131.89   | 41,238   | D  |
| Common Stock                    | 08/28/2018                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               | 2,125   | D \$ 181.89   | 39,113   | D  |

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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. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 131.89  | 08/28/2018                           |  | M                              | 2,125   | (2) 07/20/2025   | Common Stock  | 2,125   |

## 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

/s/ Stephen Migausky,  
Attorney-in-Fact

08/30/2018

\*\*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.

(2) The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 7/21/2015.

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