

ALTSHULER DAVID  
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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 \*  
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)  
02/02/2018

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/02/2018		M	1,796 A \$ 91.05	51,557	D	
Common Stock	02/02/2018		S <sup>(1)</sup>	600 D 165.24	50,957	D	
				(2) (3)			
Common Stock	02/02/2018		S <sup>(1)</sup>	996 D 166.12	49,961	D	
				(3) (4)			

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Common Stock	02/02/2018	S <sup>(1)</sup>	100	D	\$ 167.81	49,861	D
Common Stock	02/02/2018	S <sup>(1)</sup>	100	D	\$ 169.49	49,761	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	02/02/2018		M	1,796	<sup>(5)</sup> 02/01/2026	Common Stock	1,796

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

/s/ Omar White,  
Attorney-in-Fact

02/05/2018

\*\*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 Mr. Altshuler's company-approved trading plan under Rule 10b5-1.
- (2) Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$165.24 (range \$164.80 to \$165.71).
- (3) Mr. Altshuler 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.
- (4) Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$166.12 (range \$165.81 to \$166.43).
- (5) The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 2/2/2016.

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