

ALTSHULER DAVID
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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)
07/19/2017

____ 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 | 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 | <u>(2)</u> 02/01/2026 | Common Stock | 8,979 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 81.54 | 07/19/2017 | | M | 20,000 | <u>(3)</u> 05/31/2023 | Common Stock | 20,000 |

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

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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