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FORM 4

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SECURITIES

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SACHS BRUCE I

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

Symbol

VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/17/2017

X_ Director Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O VERTEX

(Last)

PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED, 50 NORTHERN

(Street)

(First)

AVENUE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

BOSTON, MA 02210

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Middle)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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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 onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) on 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)		(
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Stock Units	(1)	07/17/2017		A	316.942	<u>(1)</u>	(1)	Common Stock	316.942	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

X

SACHS BRUCE I C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED 50 NORTHERN AVENUE BOSTON, MA 02210

Signatures

/s/ Stephen Migausky, Attorney-in-Fact

07/19/2017

**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) Each deferred stock unit represents one share of common stock and is paid out in common stock upon the earliest to occur of (i) termination of Mr. Sachs' service on our board of directors, (ii) a change of control of our company and (iii) Mr. Sachs' disability or death.

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