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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Silva Paul M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/22/2018

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

SVP & Corp Controller

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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C/O VERTEX **PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED, 50 NORTHERN AVENUE**

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(First)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Middle)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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Applicable Line)

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Issuer

BOSTON, MA 02210

(City)

(City)	(State)	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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			d of (D)	Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) Reported (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect t Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	01/22/2018		M	2,427	A	\$ 86.52	19,061	D		
Common Stock	01/22/2018		S <u>(1)</u>	2,427	D	\$ 161.52	16,634	D		
Common Stock	01/23/2018		M	1,289	A	\$ 91.05	17,923	D		
Common Stock	01/23/2018		M	1,719	A	\$ 90.29	19,642	D		

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Common Stock						169	I	401(k)	
Common Stock	01/23/2018	S(1)	3,008	D	\$ 166.05	16,634	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number stion Derivative Securities 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	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
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 86.52	01/22/2018		M	2,	,427	<u>(2)</u>	02/02/2027	Common Stock	2,427
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 91.05	01/23/2018		M	1,	,289	<u>(3)</u>	02/01/2026	Common Stock	1,289
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 90.29	01/23/2018		M	1,	,719	<u>(4)</u>	07/11/2026	Common Stock	1,719

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships						
·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Silva Paul M			SVP & Corp Controller				
C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED							
50 NORTHERN AVENUE							

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BOSTON, MA 02210

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/s/ Omar White, Attorney-in-Fact 01/24/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person

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. Silva's company-approved trading plan under Rule 10b5-1.

Date

- (2) The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 2/3/2017.
- (3) The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 2/2/2016.
- (4) The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 7/12/2016.

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