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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION									OMB	PROVAL 3235-0287	
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(Print or Type F	Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> SMITH IAN F			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
		VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]					(Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)			
C/O VERTE PHARMAC INCORPOR AVENUE		THERN	02/06/20)18				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	EVP, COO		
(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person 						
BOSTON, N	MA 02210							Form filed by M Person	Iore than One Re	eporting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative S	ecurit	ties Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	any		med on Date, if Day/Year)	3.4. Securities AcquiredTransaction(A) or Disposed ofCode(D)(Instr. 8)(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			l of	Securities Beneficially Owned	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	02/06/2018			А	15,170 (1)	А	\$0	56,058	D		
Common Stock	02/06/2018			А	8,437 (2)	А	\$0	64,495	D		
Common Stock								5,306	Ι	401(k)	

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)	TransactionDerivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 I S (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 155.57	02/06/2018		А	19,566	<u>(3)</u>	02/05/2028	Common Stock	19,566	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
SMITH IAN F C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED 50 NORTHERN AVENUE BOSTON, MA 02210			EVP, COO			
Signatures						

/s/ Omar White, Attorney-in-Fact 02/08/2018

**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).

Represents earned performance shares with respect to a performance stock unit award granted on 2/03/2017 that contained both performance-vesting and service-vesting requirements. The issuer's management development and compensation committee certified as to the lower of performance and attainment on 02/06/2018. The second are formance above number of the lower of the second are formance as a second at the lower of the second are formance as a second at the second are formance as a second at the second are formance as a second at the second

- to the level of performance-goal attainment on 02/06/2018. The earned performance shares remain subject to the service-vesting requirements and will vest in three equal installments on 2/10/2018, 2/10/2019 and 2/10/2020.
- (2) Restricted stock unit award that vests in three equal installments on 2/17/2019, 2/17/2020 and 2/17/2021.
- (3) The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 2/6/2018.

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