

VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA
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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 *
 Howton David T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS
 INC / MA [VRTX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 SVP & Chief Legal Officer

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O VERTEX
 PHARMACEUTICALS
 INCORPORATED, 130 WAVERLY
 ST

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/02/2012

(Street)
 CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

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

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/02/2012		A	(A) or (D) A	Amount 10,166 (1) Price \$ 0.01	19,437	D
Common Stock					266	I	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)	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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 37.86	02/02/2012		A	68,750	05/02/2012 ⁽²⁾ 02/01/2022	Common Stock	68,750

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS
INCORPORATED
130 WAVERLY ST
CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

SVP & Chief Legal Officer

Signatures

Valerie L. Andrews,
Attorney-In-Fact 02/06/2012

__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) Stock grant under 2006 Stock and Option Plan, vesting on 2/2/2016, subject to (i) earlier acceleration of 50% of shares upon (A) reaching specified aggregate product and royalty sales levels or (B) completing enrollment of a pivotal trial in two distinct disease indications other than HCV and cystic fibrosis and (ii) earlier acceleration of 50% of shares upon receiving filing confirmation for an NDA for an all-oral regimen for the treatment of HCV infection.

(2) Right to buy under 2006 Stock and Option Plan, vesting in 16 quarterly installments from 02/02/2012.

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