

VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Hartmann Victor A		(Month/Day/Year)	VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	02/15/2005	
C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED,Â 130 WAVERLY STREET			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
			(give title below)	(specify below)
			EVP, Strategic & Corp. Devlp.	
CAMBRIDGE,Â MAÂ 02139			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	70,000 ⁽¹⁾	D	Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	(Instr. 5)
Stock Option	05/15/2005	02/14/2015	Common Stock	150,000 (2)	\$ 11.4	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hartmann Victor A C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED 130 WAVERLY STREET CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139	Â	Â	Â EVP, Strategic & Corp. Devlp.	Â

Signatures

Valerie L. Andrews,
Attorney-in-Fact

02/22/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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Stock grant made under 1996 Stock and Option Plan, vesting as to 20,000 shares on 2/15/2006; as to an additional 25,000 shares on (1) 2/15/2008; and as to the remaining 25,000 shares on 2/15/2010, all subject to acceleration upon achievement of a performance-based milestone based on Company profitability.

(2) Right to buy under 1996 Stock and Option Plan, vesting in 20 equal quarterly installments from 2/15/2005.

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