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Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BRIMBLECOMBE ROGER W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS

INC / MA [VRTX]

(Month/Day/Year) 05/13/2008

3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director Officer (give title

C/O VERTEX **PHARMACEUTICALS** INCORPORATED, 130 WAVERLY **STREET**

(First)

(Middle)

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

_ Other (specify

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Issuer

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/13/2008		M	3,334	A	\$ 14.2	3,334	D	
Common Stock	05/13/2008		S <u>(1)</u>	700	D	\$ 27	2,634	D	
Common Stock	05/13/2008		S <u>(1)</u>	300	D	\$ 27.03	2,334	D	
Common Stock	05/13/2008		S <u>(1)</u>	300	D	\$ 27.07	2,034	D	

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Common Stock	05/13/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	300	D	\$ 27.08	1,734	D
Common Stock	05/13/2008	S(1)	200	D	\$ 27.13	1,534	D
Common Stock	05/13/2008	S(1)	100	D	\$ 27.14	1,434	D
Common Stock	05/13/2008	S(1)	500	D	\$ 27.19	934	D
Common Stock	05/13/2008	S(1)	300	D	\$ 27.27	634	D
Common Stock	05/13/2008	S(1)	300	D	\$ 27.46	334	D
Common Stock	05/13/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	334	D	\$ 27.7	0	D

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	ivative Expiration Date ties (Month/Day/Year) red sed of 3, 4,		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	\$ 14.2	05/13/2008		A	3,334	09/01/1998(2)	05/31/2008	Common Stock	3,334

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MBE ROGER W X

BRIMBLECOMBE ROGER W
C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED

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Signatures

Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-In-Fact 05/15/2008

**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) Transaction made pursuant to Dr. Brimblecombe's company approved trading plan established under Rule 10b5-1.
- (2) Right to buy under 1996 Stock and Option Plan, fully vested on grant date, 6/1/1998.

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