

VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
 ALAM JOHN J

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/01/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 EVP, Med. Dev. Group & CMO

C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED, 130 WAVERLY STREET

(Street)

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

CAMBRIDGE, MA 01239

(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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	11/01/2006		M	V 3,000 A	\$ 18.47	106,856	D
Common Stock	11/01/2006		S ⁽¹⁾	3,000 D	\$ 40.33	103,856	D
Common Stock						6,265	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)
Stock Option	\$ 18.47	11/01/2006		M	3,000	12/26/1997 ⁽²⁾ 09/25/2007	Common Stock 3,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ALAM JOHN J
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INCORPORATED
130 WAVERLY STREET
CAMBRIDGE, MA 01239

EVP, Med. Dev. Group &
CMO

Signatures

Kenneth S. Boger,
Attorney-In-Fact

11/02/2006

**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. Alam's company approved trading plan established under Rule 10b5-1.

(2) Right to buy under 1996 Stock and Option Plan, vesting quarterly over 5 years from 9/26/1997.

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