

Forrester Robert
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FORM 4

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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 *
Forrester Robert

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O VERASTEM, INC., 117
KENDRICK ST., SUITE 500
(Street)

NEEDHAM, MA 02494

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Verastem, Inc. [VSTM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/19/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President, CEO and Director

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code V Amount (D) Price | | |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3) Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|---|------------------|--|------|---|--------|-----|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) \$ 1.37 | 09/19/2017 | | A | | 50,000 | | 09/19/2017 | 06/14/2026 | Common Stock | 50,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-----------------------------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Forrester Robert C/O VERASTEM, INC., 117 KENDRICK ST, SUITE 500 NEEDHAM, MA 02494 | X | | | President, CEO and Director |

Signatures

/s/ Joseph Chiapponi,
attorney-in-fact

09/21/2017

**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).

On June 14, 2016, the Reporting Person was granted an option to purchase 100,000 shares of common stock. The option vests based on (1) the Issuer's satisfaction of certain performance milestones by the end of June, 2017 and the end of June, 2018. 50% of the performance criteria was met on September 19, 2017, resulting in vesting of the option as to 50,000 shares.

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