## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name a  | Ver   | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     Verrica Pharmaceuticals Inc. [VRCA]     3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) |   |                                 |  |             |      |                     |   |                | k all ap<br>Direc                            | olicable)<br>ctor   | 10% (   | Person(s) to Issuer<br>10% Owner<br>Other (specify |   |  |  |
|--|---|--|---|---------------------------------|--|-------------|------|---------------------|---|----------------|--|---|---|--|---|--|--|
| (Last)   | (Fi   | rst) (   |   | 06/12/2019                      |  |             |      |                     |   |                |  |   | belo  | er (give title<br>w)                               | below   |  |  |
| C/O VERRICA PHARMACEUTICALS INC.<br>10 NORTH HIGH STREET, SUITE 200  |   |  |   |                                 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |             |      |                     |   |                |  |   | <ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</li> <li>X Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> </ul> |  |   |  |  |
| (Street)<br>WEST PA 22902<br>CHESTER   |   |  | 22902   |                                 |  |             |      |                     |   |                |  |   | X   |  | n filed by More   | e than One Re  |  |
| (City)   | (Si   | tate) (  | (Zip)   |                                 |  |             |      |                     |   |                |  |   |   |  |   |  |  |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned   |   |  |   |                                 |  |             |      |                     |   |                |  |   |   |  |   |  |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)<br>2. Transact<br>Date<br>(Month/Day   |   |  |   |                                 | Execution Date,  |             |      | Code (Ir            | Transaction Dispos<br>Code (Instr. and 5)                     |                | urities Acquired (A<br>sed Of (D) (Instr. 3, |   |   | 5. Am<br>Secur<br>Benef<br>Owne<br>Follo           | ties Fo<br>cially (D<br>I In  | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)  |
|  |   |  |   |                                 |  |             | Code | v                   | Amou  | unt (A) or Pr  |  | Price   | Repo<br>Trans   |  | (msu. 4)  | (Instr. 4)   |  |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned         (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |   |  |   |                                 |  |             |      |                     |   |                |  |   |   |  |   |  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)   | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transac<br>Code (II<br>8) |  | on Number E |      | Expiration          | 5. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>Month/Day/Year) |                |  | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr. 3<br>and 4) |   | Price<br>rivative<br>curity<br>str. 5)             | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s<br>(Instr. 4) | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr.<br>4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|  |   |  |   | Code                            | v  | (A)         | (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable |   | oiration<br>te | Title  | Amou<br>or<br>Numl<br>of<br>Share   | ber   |  |   |  |  |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy)   | \$8.93  | 06/12/2019   |   | A                               |  | 5,834       |      | (1)                 | 06/   | 12/2029        | Common<br>Stock                              | 5,83  | 34 5  | \$0.00   | 5,834   | D  |  |

Explanation of Responses:

1. The shares underlying this option shall vest and become exercisable in 12 equal monthly installments beginning on July 12, 2019 and, in any event, will be fully vested on the date of the next annual meeting of stockholders, subject to continued service as a director though the applicable vesting date.

Remarks:

/s/ Mark Ballantyne, Attorney- 06/14/2019 in-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

 $^{*}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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