Forrester Robert Form 4 September 21, 2017

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Forrester Robert

> (First) (Middle) (Last)

C/O VERASTEM, INC., 117

KENDRICK ST., SUITE 500

(Street)

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)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Director 10% Owner

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

President, CEO and Director

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X 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

(City) (State)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

NEEDHAM, MA 02494

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Form: Direct (T) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code 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 (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares Stock Option Common 09/19/2017 06/14/2026 50,000 \$ 1.37 09/19/2017 50,000 (Right to Stock Buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Forrester Robert C/O VERASTEM, INC., 117 KENDRICK ST, SUITE 500

X President, CEO and Director

NEEDHAM, MA 02494

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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