

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>PERCEPTIVE ADVISORS LLC</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>51 ASTOR PLACE, 10TH FLOOR</u> (Street) <u>NEW YORK NY 10003</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>06/14/2018</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Verrica Pharmaceuticals Inc. [VRCA]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Series B Preferred Stock	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	1,130,679	(1)	I	See footnote ⁽²⁾
Series C Preferred Stock	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	1,279,733	(1)	I	See footnote ⁽²⁾

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>PERCEPTIVE ADVISORS LLC</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>51 ASTOR PLACE, 10TH FLOOR</u> (Street) <u>NEW YORK NY 10003</u> (City) (State) (Zip)		
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>PERCEPTIVE LIFE SCIENCES MASTER FUND LTD</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O PERCEPTIVE ADVISORS LLC</u> <u>51 ASTOR PLACE, 10TH FLOOR</u> (Street) <u>NEW YORK NY 10003</u> (City) (State) (Zip)		
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>EDELMAN JOSEPH</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O PERCEPTIVE ADVISORS LLC</u> <u>51 ASTOR PLACE, 10TH FLOOR</u> (Street) <u>NEW YORK NY 10003</u> (City) (State) (Zip)		
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Explanation of Responses:

1. Each share of the Issuer's preferred stock is convertible, at any time, at the holder's election, into shares of the Issuer's common stock, has no expiration date and converts into shares upon the closing of the Issuer's initial public offering.
2. The securities are directly held by Perceptive Life Sciences Master Fund Ltd. (the "Master Fund"). Perceptive Advisors LLC (the "Advisor") serves as the investment manager of Master Fund. Joseph Edelman is the managing member of the Advisor. Each of Mr. Edelman and the Advisor disclaims, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, beneficial ownership of such securities, except to the extent of his/its indirect pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that either Mr. Edelman or the Advisor is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes.

Remarks:

/s/ Perceptive Life Sciences
Master Fund Ltd., By:
Perceptive Advisors LLC, its 08/01/2018
investment manager By:
Joseph Edelman, its managing
member

/s/ Perceptive Advisors LLC,
By: Joseph Edelman, its 08/01/2018
managing member

/s/ Joseph Edelman 08/01/2018

** 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 5 (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).

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