FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Vashington,	D.C.	20549
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Hopper Jonathan Mark						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Vericel Corp [ VCEL ]										eck all appli Direct	cable)			Ssuer  Owner (specify	
	,	First) PRPORATION ET		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/11/2021										below)		below) dical Officer		specify			
(Street)	IDGE 1	<b>Л</b> А	02139		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line	dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				n		
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				-	Code	v			Amount		(A) or (D) Pri		Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(111311.4)				
Common	Stock			02/11	L/2021	L				M		1,625	5	A	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	25	,371	B71 D			
Common	Stock			02/11	L/2021	L				F		738 <sup>(2</sup>	2)	D	\$49.2	3 24	,633	D			
		•	Table II -							,		osed of converti	,		,	Owned					
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day	Date,	Date, Transa Code		ı of E		Exp	o. Date Exercisable a Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)			and 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	s Ily	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Dat Exe	te ercisab		Expiration Date	Title	C	Amount or Number of Shares						
Restricted	(3)	02/11/2021			M			1,625		(4)		(5)	Comm	on	1,625	\$49.23	4,875		D		

## Explanation of Responses:

1. The shares of common stock were acquired by the Reporting person as a result of the vesting of RSUs granted to the Reporting Person on February 11, 2020. The remaining RSUs will vest in annual installments on February 11, 2022, February 11, 2023, and February 11, 2024, respectively.

- 2. These shares were withheld by the Issuer to satisfy the tax withholding requirements in connection with the vesting of Restricted Stock Units.
- 3. Each Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock of Vericel Corporation.
- 4. The shares of common stock were acquired by the Reporting Person as a result of the vesting of RSUs granted to the Reporting Person on February 11, 2020. The remaining RSUs will vest in annual installments on February 11, 2022, February 11, 2023, and February 11, 2024, respectively.
- 5. No expiration date for this type of award.

## Remarks:

Stock Unit

/s/ Jonathan Hopper

Stock

02/12/2021

\*\* 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).
- \*\* 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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