



## **Joshua Boger, PhD**

### **Honorary Member, Board of Advisors**

Dr. Joshua Boger is the founder of Vertex Pharmaceuticals Incorporated. He retired as Vertex's Chief Executive Officer in 2009 and stepped down as Chairman of its Board of Directors in 2017, culminating in over 28 years with the company. Prior to founding Vertex in 1989, Joshua worked for more than a decade at Merck Sharp & Dohme Research Laboratories, where he headed both the Departments of Biophysical Chemistry and Medicinal Chemistry of Immunology and Inflammation.

In addition to serving as an honorary member of the Greater Boston Food Bank's Board of Advisors since 2014, he serves on several additional non-profit Boards, including the Board of Fellows of Harvard Medical School (where he is Chair Emeritus), the Science Advisory Council of WGBH (public broadcasting's leading station, Boston), and the MIT Corporation Visiting Committee to the Institute for Medical Engineering & Science (IMES). He served for over ten years as Vice-Chair of Boston's Museum of Science and continues as a Trustee Emeritus.

Joshua attended Wesleyan University, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in both Chemistry and Philosophy. He later went on to achieve a Master's and Doctorate in chemistry from Harvard University. He performed postdoctoral research in molecular recognition in the laboratories of the Nobel-prize winning chemist, Jean-Marie Lehn at the Université Louis Pasteur in Strasbourg, France. He has authored over 50 scientific publications and holds 32 issued U.S. patents in pharmaceutical discovery and development.

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