

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>FRATES JAMES M</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>CONNAUGHT HOUSE</u> <u>1 BURLINGTON ROAD</u>  (Street) <u>DUBLIN</u> <u>4 Ireland</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Alkermes plc. [ ALKS ]</u>  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>03/03/2017</u>  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>SVP, Alks Inc; CFO ALKS</u>  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Ordinary Shares	03/03/2017		M		2,812	A	\$0	119,966	D	
Ordinary Shares	03/03/2017		F		913	D	\$60.97	119,053	D	
Ordinary Shares								4,000	I	By Sons
Ordinary Shares								41,041	I	By 2014 GRAT <sup>(1)</sup>
Ordinary Shares								16,562	I	By 2015 GRAT <sup>(2)</sup>
Ordinary Shares								11,421	I	By 2015 GRAT No. 2 <sup>(3)</sup>

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)															
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Unit Award	\$0	03/03/2017		M			2,812	03/03/2015 <sup>(4)</sup>	(4)	Ordinary Shares	2,812	\$0	2,813	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares held by James M. Frates Grantor Retained Annuity Trust dated March 14, 2014 (the "GRAT"). The Reporting Person is a trustee and beneficiary of the GRAT and may be deemed to hold voting and dispositive power with regard to the reported shares held by the GRAT.
2. Shares held by the James M. Frates Grantor Retained Annuity Trust dated May 29, 2015 (the "2015 GRAT"). The Reporting Person is a trustee and beneficiary of the 2015 GRAT and may be deemed to hold voting and dispositive power with regard to the reported shares held by the 2015 GRAT.
3. Shares held by the James M. Frates Grantor Retained Annuity Trust No. 2 dated November 25, 2015 (the "2015 GRAT No. 2"). The Reporting Person is a trustee and beneficiary of the 2015 GRAT No. 2 and may be deemed to hold voting and dispositive power with regard to the reported shares held by the 2015 GRAT No. 2.
4. Shares subject to the restricted stock unit award vest in equal annual installments over a four year period, commencing on 3/3/2015.

/s/ Jennifer Baptiste, attorney-in-fact for James M. Frates 03/06/2017

\*\* 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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