FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*				2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Alkermes plc. [ ALKS ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
SKALETSKY MARK B						Г		•					X Directo	r		10% Ov	ner		
(Last)	(F	irst)	(Middle)			Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)							$\dashv$	Officer below)	Officer (give title below)		Other (s below)	pecify	
CONNAUGHT HOUSE						08/01/2012													
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					4. 11	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street)														Line)					
DUBLIN	<b>1</b> 4													X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
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(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																
		Tal	ole I - Non	-Deriv	/ative	e Se	curitie	s Ac	quired, D	ispo	osed of	f, or Ber	neficiall	y Owned	ı				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transar Date (Month/Date)					Day/Year) if		ed Date ay/Yea	Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ies Acquire Of (D) (Inst			es ally Following	Form (D) or	Form: Direct D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
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									uired, Dis s, options,					Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Day if any (Month/Day/	ate, Ti	Code (Ins				6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Amount of		f g Security	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)	
				С	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$18.21	08/01/2012			A		25,000		08/01/2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	08	8/01/2022	Ordinary Shares	25,000	\$0	25,000	0	D		

## Explanation of Responses:

1. This option becomes exercisable in full one year from date of grant.

/s/ Jennifer Baptiste, attorneyin-fact for Mark B. Skaletsky

08/02/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  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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