FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

<b>STATEMENT</b>	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     POPS RICHARD F					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Alkermes plc. [ ALKS ]								(Chec	tionship of Reporting Per all applicable) Director		Perso	10% Ow	ner
	(F UGHT HO INGTON R			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/16/2018								X	X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  Director and CEO, Alkermes plc					
(Street) DUBLIN IRELAN (City)	ID	State)	(Zip)		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Indi Line) X						
		Т	able I - Nor	n-Deriv	ative S	Securiti	es Ac	quired,	, Dis	posed of	, or Be	nefici	ially (	Owned				
Da			2. Transa Date (Month/D	action 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code	Transaction   Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		Form: Direct   I (D) or Indirect   I (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
								Code	v	Amount	(A) o	r Prio	се	Reported Transactio (Instr. 3 an	on(s)		1	nstr. 4)
Ordinary Shares			02/17	7/2018			М		8,750	8,750 A		\$ <mark>0</mark>	646,436			D		
Ordinary Shares		02/17	7/2018					2,581 D		\$6	57.26	643,855			D			
			Table II -							osed of, convertib				wned	,			<u> </u>
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	ative Conversion Date Execution Date, Trity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		re es i (A) or d of	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Ye		e of Securities		Derivative Security curity (Instr. 5)		derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		Ownership of Ind Form: Benef Direct (D) Owne	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	e V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh			Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)			
Restricted Stock Unit Award	\$0	02/16/2018		A		72,500		02/16/20	19 <sup>(1)</sup>	(1)	Ordinary Shares	7 72,	500	\$0	72,50	00	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$67.26	02/16/2018		A		295,000		02/16/20	19 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/16/2028	Ordinary Shares	295	,000	\$0	295,0	00	D	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0	02/17/2018		M			8,750	02/17/20	18 <sup>(3)</sup>	(3)	Ordinary Shares	8,7	750	\$0	26,25	50	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Shares subject to the restricted stock unit award vest in equal annual installments over a four year period, commencing on 2/16/19.
- $2. \ Shares \ subject \ to \ the \ stock \ option \ award \ vest \ in \ four \ equal \ annual \ installments \ commencing \ on \ 2/16/2019.$
- 3. Shares subject to the restricted stock unit award vest in equal annual installments over a four year period, commencing on 2/17/18.

/s/ Jennifer Baptiste, attorney-infact for Richard F. Pops

02/21/2018

\*\* 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 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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