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* Cooke Shane (Last) (First) (Middle) CONNAUGHT HOUSE 1 BURLINGTON ROAD						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Alkermes plc. [ALKS]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify				
						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/26/2018									below) below) President, Alkermes plc			,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
(Street) DUBLIN 4 IRELAND				4. 1										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)															
		Tab	le I - I	Non-Deri	vative	e Sec	uritie	es Ac	cquire	ed, D	isposed o	of, or B	enefici	ally Ow	ed			
Date		2. Transact Date (Month/Day		Execution Date,		cution Date, ny		ction Instr.	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and			Sec Ber Ow	mount of urities eficially led Following	Fori	m: Direct or Indirect Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
						Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Trai	orted saction(s) r. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)			
Ordinary Shares		01/26/2	01/26/2018		3		M ⁽¹⁾		1,700	A	\$16.5	55	76,408		D			
Ordinary Shares			01/26/2018				S ⁽²⁾		1,700	D	\$60.01	54 ⁽³⁾	74,708		D			
Ordinary Shares			01/29/2	1/29/2018				M ⁽¹⁾		3,300	A	\$16.5	55	78,008		D		
Ordinary Shares 01/29/20				018				S ⁽²⁾		3,300	D	\$60		74,708		D		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	e of 2. 3. Transaction Date Execution Date, if any		4. Transa	I. 5. Numb Fransaction of Code (Instr. Derivativ		mber ative rities ired osed	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/		cisable and 7. Title and Amount of		nd of es ng re Security	8. Price Derivati Security (Instr. 5	derivativ	e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares					
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$16.55	01/26/2018			M ⁽¹⁾			1,700	(4	1)	05/21/2022	Ordinary Shares	1,700	\$0	126,0	93	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$16.55	01/29/2018			M ⁽¹⁾			3,300	(4	1)	05/21/2022	Ordinary Shares	3,300	\$0	122,7	93	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- $1. \ This \ option \ exercise \ was \ effected \ pursuant \ to \ a \ Rule \ 10b5-1 \ trading \ plan \ adopted \ by \ the \ reporting \ person \ on \ 5/19/17.$
- $2. \ This sale was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 \ trading \ plan \ adopted \ by \ the \ reporting \ person \ on \ 5/19/17.$
- 3. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$60.00 to \$60.09. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price can be furnished to the SEC staff upon request.
- 4. These options are fully vested in accordance with their terms.

/s/ Jennifer Baptiste, attorneyin-fact for Shane Cooke

01/29/2018

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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