FORM 4

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

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     POPS RICHARD F						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Alkermes plc. [ ALKS ]								eck all appl X Direct	•	:	) to Issu .0% Ow Other (s	mer	
(Last) (First) (Middle) CONNAUGHT HOUSE 1 BURLINGTON ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/17/2017								helow	below)  Director and CEO		below)		
(Street) DUBLIN 4 IRELAND (City) (State) (Zip)					4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								e) X Form Form	I				
		Tab	le I - N	Non-Deri	ivativ	e Sec	curit	ies Ad	quire	ed, D	isposed o	f, or B	eneficial	ly Owne	d				
Da			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 an				ies cially Following	6. Owner: Form: Dir (D) or Ind (I) (Instr.	ect ( irect (	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		ed ction(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Ordinary Shares				05/17/2017				M <sup>(1)</sup>		50,000	A	\$15.95	68	0,406	D				
Ordinary Shares				05/17/2017				<b>S</b> <sup>(2)</sup>		11,655	D	\$57.2336	66	8,751	D				
Ordinary Shares 05/17/2				2017	017					32,406	D	\$58.3731	(4) 63	6,345	D				
Ordinary Shares 05/17/20				2017	17			<b>S</b> <sup>(2)</sup>		5,939	D	\$59.0576	o <sup>(5)</sup> 63	0,406	D				
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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. Transa Code ( 8)				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 derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form: y Direct (D or Indirec (I) (Instr.	n: ct (D) ndirect	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
						v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	cisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$15.95	05/17/2017			M <sup>(1)</sup>			50,000	(	(6)	06/01/2017	Ordinar Shares	50,000	\$0	18,731	ı	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. This option exercise was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on 11/6/15.
- 2. This sale was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on 11/6/15.
- 3. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$56.86 to \$57.82. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price can be furnished to the SEC staff upon request.
- 4. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$57.86 to \$58.85. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price can be furnished to the SEC staff upon request.
- 5. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$58.86 to \$59.74. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price can be furnished to the SEC staff upon request
- 6. These options are fully vested in accordance with their terms.

/s/ Jennifer Baptiste, attorney-05/19/2017 in-fact for Richard F. Pops

\*\* 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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