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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Gaffin David Joseph | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Alkermes plc. [ALKS] | | | | | | | (Chec | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner | | | | | |
|---|---|--|--|---|--|---|------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|--------------------|---|--|--|---|---|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 852 WINTER STREET | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/20/2020 | | | | | | | X | X Officer (give title Other (special below) SVP, CLO, Alkermes, Inc. | | | | | | |
| (Street) WALTH | AM M | ſA | 02451 | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Or | | | | f Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (City) | (5 | State) | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Т | able I - Nor | n-Deriva | ative S | 1 | | quired, | Dis | posed of | , or Ben | eficially | Owned | | | | | |
| | | | Date | t. Transaction Date Month/Day/Year) | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 7) 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) | | | 5. Amount Securities Beneficial Owned Fo | ly | 6. Owners Form: Dir (D) or Ind (I) (Instr. 4 | ect I irect I | 7. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Ownership Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (111501.4) | |
| Ordinary Shares | | | 02/21/ | 02/21/2020 | | | | | 6,875 | A | \$0 | 59,362 | | D | | | | |
| Ordinary | ry Shares 02/2 | | 02/21/ | ./2020 | | F | | 2,016 | D | \$20.24 | 4 57,346 | | D | | | | | |
| | | | Table II - | | | | | | | osed of, convertib | | | wned | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Dat if any (Month/Day/Ye | Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | re es d (A) or d of | 6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/\) | | te of Securities | | ies g Security | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio | Ov Fo Dii or (I) | vnership rm: rect (D) Indirect (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | Code | . v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisa | ble | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | (Instr. 4) | on(s) | | | |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$20.43 | 02/20/2020 | | A | | 117,688 | | 02/20/202 | 21 ⁽¹⁾ | 02/20/2030 | Ordinary Shares | 117,688 | \$0 | 117,68 | 8 | D | | |
| Restricted Stock Unit Award | \$0 | 02/20/2020 | | A | | 28,145 | | 02/20/202 | 21 ⁽²⁾ | (2) | Ordinary Shares | 28,145 | \$0 | 28,145 | 5 | D | | |
| Restricted Stock Unit | \$0 | 02/21/2020 | | М | | | 6,875 | 02/21/202 | 20 ⁽³⁾ | (3) | Ordinary | 6,875 | \$0 | 20,625 | 5 | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- $1. \ Shares \ subject \ to \ the \ stock \ option \ award \ vest \ in \ four \ equal \ annual \ installments \ commencing \ on \ 2/20/2021.$
- 2. Shares subject to the restricted stock unit award vest in equal annual installments over a four year period, commencing on 2/20/2021.
- 3. Shares subject to the restricted stock unit award vest in equal annual installments over a four year period, commencing on 2/21/2020.

/s/ Shantale Greenson, attorneyin-fact for David J Gaffin 02/24/2020

** 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).
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