

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>ELAN CORP PLC</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>TREASURY BUILDING, LOWER GRAND CANAL ST.</u> (Street) <u>DUBLIN 2 L2 00000</u> (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>09/16/2011</u> | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Alkermes plc. [ALKS]</u> | |
| | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) | 5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| <u>Common Stock</u> | <u>31,900,000</u> | <u>I⁽¹⁾</u> | <u>Indirect⁽¹⁾</u> |

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | |

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*
ELAN CORP PLC
 (Last) (First) (Middle)
TREASURY BUILDING, LOWER GRAND CANAL ST.
 (Street)
DUBLIN 2 L2 00000
 (City) (State) (Zip)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*
Elan Science Three Ltd
 (Last) (First) (Middle)
TREASURY BLDG., LOWER GRAND CANAL STREET
 (Street)
DUBLIN 2 L2 00000
 (City) (State) (Zip)

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares directly owned by Elan Science Three Limited ("ES3"). ES3 is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Elan Corporation, plc.

Remarks:

Exhibit List Exhibit 99 - Joint Filer Information

/s/ William F. Daniel,
Executive V.P. and Company Secretary 09/26/2011

** 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 5 (b)(v).

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Joint Filer Information

Name: Elan Science Three Limited

Address: Treasury Building, Lower Grand Canal Street,
Dublin 2, Ireland

Designated Filer: Elan Corporation, plc

Issuer & Ticker Symbol: Alkermes plc (ALKS)

Date of Earliest
Transaction Required
to be Reported: 9/16/11

Signature: /s/ William F. Daniel
Name: William F. Daniel
Title: Company Secretary
Elan Science Three Limited