## FORM 4

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Ehrich Elliot</u>						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				ner
(Last) 852 WIN	(Fi	rst)	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/07/2012							below)	Officer (give title below) SVP, R&D & CMO, A			nc.	
(Street) WALTH	AM M	A	02451		-   4. I	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					Line	Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting						
(City)	(Si	tate)	(Zip)											Person				
Table I - Non-Deriv  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)				action	tion 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 of D) (Instr. 3,			I (A) or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	ction(s)			Instr. 4)
Ordinary Shares 12/0			12/07	7/2012	2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>		44,500	A	\$12.10	5 72	380		D			
Ordinary Shares 12/07			7/2012	2012		<b>S</b> <sup>(2)</sup>		44,500	D	\$18.74	(3) 27	7,880		D				
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	ercise (Month/Day/Year) of ative	Execution Date, if any			ransaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable a Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Amount of		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	s Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v			Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to	\$12.16	12/07/2012			M <sup>(1)</sup>			44,500	(4)		12/10/2013	Ordinary Shares	44,500	\$0	0		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. This option exercise was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- $2. \ This \ sale \ was \ effected \ pursuant \ to \ a \ Rule \ 10b5-1 \ trading \ plan \ adopted \ by \ the \ reporting \ person.$
- 3. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$18.60 to \$18.8645. 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 Elliot Ehrich

12/07/2012

\*\* 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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