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* FRATES JAMES M						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Alkermes plc. [ALKS]									all appli Directo	or	g Pers	son(s) to Iss 10% Ov Other (s	vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) CONNAUGHT HOUSE 1 BURLINGTON ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/08/2014												below)	specify
(Street) DUBLIN 4 IRELAND					4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(5	•	(Zip)		<u> </u>								<u> </u>						
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/You				ion	2A. Deemed Execution Date			3. Transa Code (8)	action	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and			5. Amo Securi Benefi		unt of 6. Contest for (D) Following (I) (I		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Transac (Instr. 3	ction(s)			(111311. 4)
Ordinary Shares 10				10/08/2	0/08/2014				M ⁽¹⁾		8,000	A	\$8.5	\$8.55		2,225		D	
Ordinary Shares				10/08/2014					M ⁽¹⁾		8,000	A	\$14.	9	60	,225		D	
Ordinary Shares 10/08/				10/08/2	014				S ⁽²⁾		16,000	D	\$41.00	.0048(3)		44,225		D	
Ordinary Shares														4	,000		I	By Sons	
Ordinary Shares														57,000				By GRAT ⁽⁴⁾	
		Т	able I								sposed of , converti				wned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	emed tion Date, n/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)			Expira	e Exerc ation D h/Day/		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		De Se (In	rice of ivative curity etr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Ow For Dire or I (I) (10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares	r					
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$8.55	10/08/2014			M ⁽¹⁾			8,000	(!	5)	05/26/2019	Ordinary Shares	8,000		\$0	17,000		D	

Explanation of Responses:

\$14.9

Buy) Non Qualified Stock

Option

(Right to Buy)

- 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.

10/08/2014

3. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$40.825 to \$41.20. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price can be furnished to the SEC staff upon request.

(5)

8,000

- 4. Shares held by James M. Frates Grantor Retained Annuity Trust dated March 14, 2014 (the "GRAT"). The Reporting Person is a trustee and beneficiary of the GRAT and may be deemed to hold voting and dispositive power with regard to the reported shares held by the GRAT.
- 5. These options are fully vested in accordance with their terms.

/s/ Jennifer Baptiste, attorneyin-fact for James M. Frates

8,000

\$0

Ordinary

Shares

12/17/2014

10/10/2014

32,870

D

** 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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