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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* POPS RICHARD F					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Alkermes plc. [ALKS] 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner											vner					
(Last) TREASU	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/16/2011								X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Director and CEO, Alkermes plc												
(Street) DUBLIN 2						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
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Common Stock							Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)		Price	Reported Transactio (Instr. 3 an	n(s) d 4)			(Instr. 4)				
Common	Stock				/2011			A		424,35			(12)	424,	354		D				
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Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$8.55	09/16/2011		A		220,000		(1)	0	5/26/2019	Commo Stock		20,000	(2)	220,0	000	D				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$9.21	09/16/2011		A		500,000		(3)	1	1/18/2019	Commo Stock		00,000	(2)	500,0	000	D				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$12.29	09/16/2011		A		170,000		(4)	0	5/27/2018	Commo Stock	ⁱⁿ 17	70,000	(2)	170,0	000	D				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$14.13	09/16/2011		A		50,000		(5)	1	1/05/2017	Commo Stock		0,000	(2)	50,00	00	D				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$11.74	09/16/2011		A		325,000		(6)	0	5/17/2020	Commo Stock		25,000	(2)	325,0	000	D				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$18.105	09/16/2011		A		400,000		(7)	0	5/20/2021	Commo Stock		00,000	(2)	400,0	000	D				
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$4.77	09/16/2011		A		20,968		(8)	0	7/18/2012	Commo Stock		0,968	(2)	20,9	68	D				
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$9.97	09/16/2011		A		10,030		(8)	0	4/25/2013	Commo Stock		0,030	(2)	10,03	30	D				
Incentive Stock Option	\$12.3	09/16/2011		A		8,130		(8)	0	7/12/2014	Commo Stock		3,130	(2)	8,13	30	D				

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)															
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)	action (Instr.	5. Number Derivative Securities Acquired or Disport of (D) (In 3, 4 and	re es I (A) sed str.	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)			ies g Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$15.95	09/16/2011		A		6,269		(8)	06/01/2017	Common Stock	6,269	(2)	6,269	D	
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$18.6	09/16/2011		A		5,376		(8)	12/09/2015	Common Stock	5,376	(2)	5,376	D	
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$19.4	09/16/2011		A		5,155		(8)	10/02/2011	Common Stock	5,155	(2)	5,155	D	
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$20.79	09/16/2011		A		4,810		(8)	05/02/2016	Common Stock	4,810	(2)	4,810	D	
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$4.77	09/16/2011		A		104,032		(8)	07/18/2012	Common Stock	104,032	(2)	104,032	D	
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$7.36	09/16/2011		A		350,000		(8)	12/12/2012	Common Stock	350,000	(2)	350,000	D	
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$9.97	09/16/2011		A		156,220		(8)	04/25/2013	Common Stock	156,220	(2)	156,220	D	
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$12.16	09/16/2011		A		184,125		(8)	12/10/2013	Common Stock	184,125	(2)	184,125	D	
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$12.3	09/16/2011		A		141,870		(8)	07/12/2014	Common Stock	141,870	(2)	141,870	D	
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$14.38	09/16/2011		A		120,000		(8)	12/12/2016	Common Stock	120,000	(2)	120,000	D	
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$14.57	09/16/2011		A		149,625		(8)	10/17/2013	Common Stock	149,625	(2)	149,625	D	
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$14.9	09/16/2011		A		350,000		(8)	12/17/2014	Common Stock	350,000	(2)	350,000	D	
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$15.95	09/16/2011		A		93,731		(8)	06/01/2017	Common Stock	93,731	(2)	93,731	D	
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$18.6	09/16/2011		A		182,124		(8)	12/09/2015	Common Stock	182,124	(2)	182,124	D	
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$19.4	09/16/2011		A		244,845		(8)	10/02/2011	Common Stock	244,845	(2)	244,845	D	

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				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)		
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$20.79	09/16/2011		A		88,940		(8)	05/02/2016	Common Stock	88,940	(2)	88,940	D	
Restricted Stock Award	\$0	09/16/2011		A		250,000		(9)	(9)	Common Stock	250,000	(10)	250,000	D	
Restricted Stock Award	\$0	09/16/2011		A		25,000		(11)	05/26/2014 ⁽¹¹⁾	Common Stock	25,000	(10)	25,000	D	
Restricted Stock Unit Award	\$0	09/16/2011		A		24,375		(6)	(6)	Common Stock	24,375	(2)	24,375	D	
Restricted Stock Unit Award	\$0	09/16/2011		A		32,500		(7)	(7)	Common Stock	32,500	(10)	32,500	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. 50% vested as of 9/16/11, remainder vests in 2 equal annual installments beginning on 5/26/12.
- 2. Received in exchange for, and having substantially the same terms as, stock options of Alkermes, Inc. common stock in connection with the Merger.
- 3. 25% vested as of 9/16/11, remainder vests in 3 equal annual installments beginning on 11/18/11.
- 4. 75% vested as of 9/16/11, remainder vests on 5/27/12.
- 5. 75% vested as of 9/16/11, remainder vests on 11/5/11.
- $6.\ 25\%\ vested\ as\ of\ 9/16/11,\ remainder\ vests\ in\ 3\ equal\ annual\ installments\ beginning\ on\ 5/17/12.$
- 7. Vests in 4 equal annual installments beginning on 5/20/12.
- 8. These options are fully vested in accordance with their terms.
- $9.\,50\%$ vests on 11/18/12 and 50% vests on 11/18/13.
- 10. Received in exchange for, and having substantially the same terms as, restricted stock unit awards of Alkermes, Inc. common stock in connection with the Merger.
- 11. Performance-based restricted stock unit award. Commencing on 5/26/10, a determination will be made if the performance criteria have been met. Shares subject to the award vest in full upon the achievement of the performance criteria. If such performance criteria have not been met within a period of five years from the date of grant, all of the shares subject to the award are forfeited.
- 12. Received in exchange for shares of Alkermes, Inc. common stock in connection with the merger of Alkermes, Inc. and the global drug delivery technologies business of Elan (the "Merger"). On 9/16/11, the effective date of the Merger, the closing price of ALKS was \$16.57 per share.

/s/ Jennifer Baptiste, attorney-in-09/20/2011 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.

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