FORM 4

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

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* POPS RICHARD F						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Alkermes plc. [ ALKS ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
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(Last) (First) (Middle) CONNAUGHT HOUSE 1 BURLINGTON ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/08/2013									X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Director and CEO, Alkermes plc					
(Street) DUBLIN 4 IRELAND															Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)      X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(S		(Zip)																	
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transactio Date (Month/Day/N					Exec if any	,	ed Date, y/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar			Benefic Owned		es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)	
Ordinary Shares 07/08/20						13			M <sup>(1)</sup>		50,000	A	\$14.5	57 48		3,916		D		
Ordinary Shares 07/08/20					2013	13			<b>S</b> <sup>(2)</sup>		50,000	D	\$28.194	)47 <sup>(3)</sup> 43		3,916		D		
Ordinary Shares 07/08/20					2013	13			M <sup>(1)</sup>		50,000	A	\$12.1	6	483	3,916		D		
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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		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number n of		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/\)		cisable and ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. I De Se	Price of rivative curity str. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	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	Amount or Number of Shares							
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$14.57	07/08/2013			M <sup>(1)</sup>			50,000	(-	4)	10/17/2013	Ordinary Shares	50,000	0	\$0	49,625	5	D		
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$12.16	07/08/2013			M <sup>(1)</sup>			50,000	(4	4)	12/10/2013	Ordinary Shares	50,000	0	\$0	84,125	5	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 \$27.73 to \$29.32. 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/ Shantale Harb, attorney-in-07/08/2013 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.

- \* 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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