FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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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 ]										of Reporting Pericable) or (give title		10% Ow Other (s	/ner
(Last) (First) (Middle) CONNAUGHT HOUSE 1 BURLINGTON ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/28/2012										below) below) SVP & CFO, Alkermes plc			
(Street)  DUBLIN 4  IRELAND				4. l	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									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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			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired Disposed Of (D) (Instr.			5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		Form: Direct		of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			ed ction(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)
Ordinary	Shares			11/28/2	012	012			M <sup>(1)</sup>		5,364	A	\$7.3	6	10	5,075		D	
Ordinary Shares 11/28/2				012	12			S <sup>(2)</sup>		5,364	D	\$19.27	).2758 <sup>(3)</sup>		9,711		D		
Ordinary	dinary Shares														4,000			I ]	By Sons
		Т	able I								posed 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	eemed tion Date, n/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code ( 8)			ivative urities uired or oosed O) tr. 3, 4	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/		ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		De Se (In	Price of rivative curity str. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	y	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares						
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$7.36	11/28/2012			M <sup>(1)</sup>			5,364	(4)	)	12/12/2012	Ordinary Shares	5,364		\$0	3,002		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 \$19.15 to \$19.435. 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-11/28/2012 fact for James M. Frates

\*\* 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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