

Alkermes plc.
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
POPS RICHARD F

(Last) (First) (Middle)

CONNAUGHT HOUSE, 1
BURLINGTON ROAD

(Street)

DUBLIN 4 IRELAND

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Alkermes plc. [ALKS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/21/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Director and CEO, Alkermes plc

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.55	05/21/2012	A	450,000					05/21/2013 ⁽¹⁾	05/21/2022	Ordinary Shares	450,000
Restricted Stock Unit Award	\$ 0	05/21/2012	A	32,500					05/21/2013 ⁽²⁾	⁽²⁾	Ordinary Shares	32,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
POPS RICHARD F CONNAUGHT HOUSE 1 BURLINGTON ROAD DUBLIN 4 IRELAND	X			Director and CEO, Alkermes plc

Signatures

/s/ Jennifer Baptiste, attorney-in-fact for Richard F. Pops
 05/22/2012
 **Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Stock option award granted under the Alkermes plc 2011 Stock Option and Incentive Plan. Shares subject to the stock option vest in four equal annual installments commencing on 5/21/13.
- (2) Restricted stock unit award granted under the Alkermes plc 2011 Stock Option and Incentive Plan. Shares subject to the award vest in four equal annual installments commencing on 5/21/13.

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