

Alkermes plc.  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
FRATES JAMES M

(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)  
09/15/2015

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)  
SVP & CFO, Alkermes plc

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price			
Ordinary Shares	09/15/2015		M <sup>(1)</sup>		10,000	A	\$ 11.74	58,713	D	
Ordinary Shares	09/15/2015		M <sup>(1)</sup>		10,000	A	\$ 14.38	68,713	D	
Ordinary Shares	09/15/2015		S <sup>(2)</sup>		10,800	D	\$ 70.8469	57,913	D	
Ordinary Shares	09/15/2015		S <sup>(2)</sup>		9,200	D	\$ 71.3941	48,713	D	
								4,000	I	By Sons

Ordinary Shares			
Ordinary Shares	50,801	I	By 2014 GRAT <sup>(5)</sup>
Ordinary Shares	41,423	I	By 2015 GRAT <sup>(6)</sup>

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 (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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.74	09/15/2015		M <sup>(1)</sup>	10,000	<sup>(7)</sup> 05/17/2020	Ordinary Shares 10,000
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 14.38	09/15/2015		M <sup>(1)</sup>	10,000	<sup>(7)</sup> 12/12/2016	Ordinary Shares 10,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FRATES JAMES M CONNAUGHT HOUSE 1 BURLINGTON ROAD DUBLIN 4 IRELAND			SVP & CFO, Alkermes plc	

## Signatures

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

09/15/2015

\_\_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) 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 \$70.26 to \$71.25. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price can be furnished to the SEC staff upon request.
- (4) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$71.26 to \$71.82. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price can be furnished to the SEC staff upon request.
- (5) 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.
- (6) Shares held by the 2015 GRAT. The Reporting Person is a trustee and beneficiary of the 2015 GRAT and may be deemed to hold voting and dispositive power with regard to the reported shares held by the 2015 GRAT.
- (7) These options are fully vested in accordance with their terms.

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