

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 \*  
ELAN CORP PLC

(Last) (First) (Middle)

TREASURY BUILDING, LOWER  
GRAND CANAL STREET

(Street)

DUBLIN 2, L2 00000

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/13/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_X\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_X\_ 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 (A) or (D) Price			
Ordinary Shares	03/13/2012		S	24,150,000 (1)	D 15.8 (2) 7,750,000	I (3)	Indirect (3)

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)**

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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 (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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr	
							Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
							Code	V	(A)	(D)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ELAN CORP PLC TREASURY BUILDING LOWER GRAND CANAL STREET DUBLIN 2, L2 00000		X		
Elan Science Three Ltd TREASURY BUILDING LOWER GRAND CANAL STREET DUBLIN 2, L2 00000		X		

## Signatures

/s/ William F. Daniel  
03/14/2012

\*\*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).
- These shares were sold by Elan Science Three Limited ("ES3") in a marketed underwritten registered offering pursuant to a shelf registration statement on Form S-1 filed by Alkermes plc with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), which the SEC declared effective March 2, 2012 (File No. 333-179550).
- (1) Represents a price to the public of \$16.50 per ordinary share less the underwriting discount.
  - (2) Shares directly owned by ES3. ES3 is an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Elan Corporation, plc.

### Remarks:

Exhibit List  
Exhibit 99.1 - Joint Filer Information

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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