

Gaffin David Joseph
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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 *
 Gaffin David Joseph

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 852 WINTER STREET
 (Street)

WALTHAM, MA 02451

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/16/2018

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, CLO, Alkermes, Inc.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Following 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)	Amount		
Ordinary Shares	02/17/2018		M		2,500	A	\$ 0 33,907
Ordinary Shares	02/17/2018		F		788	D	\$ 67.26 33,119

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
					V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	
Restricted Stock Unit Award	\$ 0	02/16/2018		A		13,500		02/16/2019 ⁽¹⁾	⁽¹⁾	Ordinary Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 67.26	02/16/2018		A		54,500		02/16/2019 ⁽²⁾	02/16/2028	Ordinary Shares
Restricted Stock Unit Award	\$ 0	02/17/2018		M		2,500		02/17/2018 ⁽³⁾	⁽³⁾	Ordinary Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Gaffin David Joseph 852 WINTER STREET WALTHAM, MA 02451			SVP, CLO, Alkermes, Inc.	

Signatures

/s/ Jennifer Baptiste, attorney-in-fact for David J Gaffin 02/21/2018

**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) Shares subject to the restricted stock unit award vest in equal annual installments over a four year period, commencing on 2/16/19.
- (2) Shares subject to the stock option award vest in four equal annual installments commencing on 2/16/2019.
- (3) Shares subject to the restricted stock unit award vest in equal annual installments over a four year period, commencing on 2/17/18.

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