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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement Alkermes plc. [ALKS] À Hopkinson Craig C. (Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2018 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 852 WINTER ST. (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer _Other Person WALTHAM, MAÂ 02451 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One SVP, Med Dev/Med Affairs, Reporting Person **CMO** (City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect

> (I) (Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 5)

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect		

						(Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	06/07/2018(1)	06/07/2027	Ordinary Shares	80,000	\$ 59.57	D	Â
Restricted Stock Unit	06/07/2018(2)	(2)	Ordinary Shares	5,000	\$ 0	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Hopkinson Craig C.			SVP, Med			
852 WINTER ST.	Â	Â	Dev/Med	Â		
WALTHAM, MA 02451			Affairs, CMO			

Signatures

/s/ Jennifer Baptiste, attorney-in-fact for Craig C.
Hopkinson

02/09/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 stock option award vest in four equal annual installments commencing on 6/7/18.
- (2) Shares subject to the restricted stock unit award vest in four equal annual installments commencing on 6/7/18.

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Remarks:

EXHIBIT LIST: Exhibit 24.1 - Power of Attorney

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