

ALKERMES INC  
Form 8-K  
August 26, 2009

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): August 19, 2009  
ALKERMES, INC.  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)**

**PENNSYLVANIA**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**1-14131**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**23-2472830**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**88 Sidney Street**  
**Cambridge, Massachusetts**  
(Address of principal executive  
offices)

**02139**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(617) 494-0171**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure**

Alkermes, Inc. ( Alkermes ) has received notification from Ortho-McNeil-Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Janssen Pharmaceutica International, a division of Cilag International AG (collectively Janssen ), that based on a portfolio review it has decided not to pursue further development of the four-week long-acting injectable formulation of risperidone.

Janssen continues to commercialize RISPARDAL® CONSTA® (risperidone) Long-Acting Injection in over 60 countries worldwide. RISPARDAL CONSTA is based on Alkermes Medisor® technology and is manufactured by Alkermes. It is the first and only long-acting atypical antipsychotic therapy available for both the treatment of schizophrenia and bipolar I disorder.

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**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**ALKERMES, INC.**

Date: August 26, 2009

By: /s/ James M. Frates  
James M. Frates  
Senior Vice President, Chief Financial  
Officer and  
Treasurer

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