FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Elrod Marcus W (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O FLAMEL TECHNOLOGIES S.A. 33 AVENUE DU DR. GEORGES LEVY						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVADEL PHARMACEUTICALS PLC [AVDL] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2016 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director					
(Street) VENISSIEUX I0 69200 (City) (State) (Zip)					-									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. Transac Date (Month/Da					action	action 2A. Deem Execution Day/Year) if any		2A. Deemed Execution Date,		action (Instr.	4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)		red (A) or	5. Amou	nt of 6. C es For ally (D) following (I) (Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or Price	Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(1130.4)	
ADSs ⁽¹⁾ 12/31/2						2016		D ⁽²⁾		3,400(3)	ı I	\$0(4	0			D			
	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)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A) (D) Date Exercis		Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)				
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$13.59	12/31/2016			D ⁽²⁾			100,000	(5)		08/10/2026	ADSs	100,000	\$0 ⁽⁴⁾	0		D		
Stock Option (right to	\$10.4	12/31/2016	1		D ⁽²⁾			22,000	(6)		12/14/2026	ADSs	22,000	\$0 ⁽⁴⁾	0		D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The issuer's "ADSs" are American Depositary Shares, with each ADS representing one ordinary share, nominal value 0.122 Euros per share, of the issuer; ADSs are represented by American Depositary Receipts.
- 2. On 12/31/16, Flamel Technologies S.A. ("Flamel") merged with and into Avadel Pharmaceuticals plc ("Avadel"). As a result of the Merger, Flamel's outstanding ordinary shares were cancelled and exchanged on a 1-for-1 basis for newly issued ordinary shares of Avadel, and all outstanding American Depositary Shares (ADSs) representing Flamel ordinary shares were cancelled and exchanged on a 1-for-1 basis for ADSs representing Avadel ordinary shares. The reporting person is filing this Form 4 solely to report dispositions of Flamel securities as a result of the Merger. The reporting person will also file a Form 3 to reflect his or her new status as a director and/or executive officer of Avadel, and a new Form 4 evidencing his or her acquisition of the same number and type of securities of Avadel in the Merger. The reporting person made no market sales or purchases in connection with the dispositions reported in this Form 4 or the acquisitions to be reported in the new Form 4.
- 3. Represents 3,400 restricted ADSs granted under the issuer's "Free Share" award program on 12/14/2016, all of which will be issued to the reporting person on the second anniversary of the grant date.
- 4. Flamel Ordinary Shares and Flamel ADSs were exchanged in the Merger for an equal number of Avadel Ordinary Shares and Avadel ADSs (as applicable), respectively.
- 5. Options become exercisable as to 25,000 ADSs on each of August 10, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020, provided that the reporting person continues to be employed by the issuer or an affiliate thereof.
- 6. Options become exercisable as to 5,500 ADSs on each of the first four anniversaries after the 12/14/2016 grant date.

Remarks:

VP, Sales. The reporting person is submitting this Form 4 with respect to the disposition of securities in Flamel Technologies S.A. As described in Footnote 2 above, on December 31, 2016 Avadel Pharmaceuticals plc became the successor by merger to Flamel. In connection with such merger, the company information on the SEC's EDGAR system for CIK # 0001012477 (which number was formerly associated with Flamel) has been changed to reflect Avadel as the SEC filing company. Therefore, all Form 4s submitted via EDGAR after December 31, 2016 with respect to Flamel or Avadel will reflect Avadel's name, address, and ticker symbol.

> /s/ Phillandas T. Thompson, as attorney-in-fact for Marcus W. 12/31/2016 Elrod

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * 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).

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