SMITH & NEPHEW PLC Form 6-K September 22, 2011

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Septem, ber 22, 2011

Commission File Number 001-14978

SMITH & NEPHEW plc (Registrant's name)

15 Adam Street London, England WC2N 6LA (Address of registrant's principal executive offices)

[Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.]

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Yes No X

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Yes No X

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Yes No X

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### SIGNATURES

| Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 193 signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized. | 34, the registrant has duly caused this report to be |
|---|--|
|   | Smith & Nephew Plc (Registrant)                      |
| Date: September 22, 2011  |  |
|   | By: /s/ Susan Henderson                              |
| Susan Henderson   | Company Secretary                                    |

#### TR-1: NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTEREST IN SHARES

1. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are

Smith & Nephew PLC

attached:

2 Reason for the notification

(please tick the appropriate box or boxes):

An acquisition or disposal of voting rights

X

An acquisition or disposal of qualifying financial instruments which may result in the acquisition of shares already issued to which voting rights are attached

An acquisition or disposal of instruments with similar economic effect to qualifying financial instruments

An event changing the breakdown of voting rights

Other (please

specify):

3. Full name of person(s) subject to the notification obligation:

Capital Research and Management Company

4. Full name of shareholder(s)

(if different from 3.):

5. Date of the transaction and date on which the threshold is crossed or reached:

20 September 2011

Below 5%

6. Date on which issuer notified:

21 September 2011

7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached:

8. Notified details:

A: Voting rights attached to shares

Class/type of Situation previous Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

shares to the triggering

transaction

if possible using Number Number Number of shares Number of voting % of voting rights

the ISIN CODE of of rights

> Shares Voting

> > Rights Direct Indirect Direct Indirect Direct Indirect

Ordinary GB0009223206 44,988,767 44,988,767 43,903,030 43,903,030 4.9177%

B: Qualifying Financial Instruments

Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

Type of financial **Expiration Exercise/** Number of voting % of voting

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instrument date Conversion Period rights that may be rights

acquired if the instrument is

exercised/ converted.

n/a

C: Financial Instruments with similar economic effect to Qualifying Financial Instruments

Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

Type of financial Exercise ExpirationExercise/ Number of voting rights % of voting rights

instrument price date Conversion instrument refers to

period

Nominal Delta

Total (A+B+C)

Number of voting rights

Percentage of voting rights

43,903,030 4.9177%

9. Chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments are effectively held, if applicable: xxi

**Proxy Voting:** 

- 10. Name of the proxy holder:
- 11. Number of voting rights proxy holder will cease to hold:
- 12. Date on which proxy holder will cease to hold voting rights:

13. Additional information: Capital Research and Management Company

14. Contact name: Vivian Tan 15. Contact telephone number: (213) 615-0469

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