SMITH & NEPHEW PLC Form 6-K March 24, 2010

# 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

March 24, 2010

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)

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Yes No X

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#### **SIGNATURES**

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 thereunto duly authorized.

Smith & Nephew Plc (Registrant)

Date: March 24, 2010

By: /s/ Susan Henderson

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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 attached:

Smith & Nephew PLC which voting rights are

2 Reason for the notification (please tick the appropriate box or boxes):

An acquisition or disposal

of voting rights

X

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 BlackRock, Inc. notification obligation:

4. Full name of shareholder(s)

(if different from 3.):iv

5. Date of the

transaction and date on

19th March which the threshold is 2010 crossed or

reached:

6. Date on which 23rd March issuer notified: 2010 7. Threshold(s) that Holding is/are crossed or has gone reached: below 5% vi, vii

#### 8. Notified details:

A: Voting rights attached to shares viii, ix

Situation previous Class/type of shares to the triggering transaction

if possible using **Number** the ISIN CODE of

Number of **Shares** Voting

Resulting situation after the triggering transaction Number of % of **v**ótina votina **silgantes**s rights x Edgar Filing: SMITH & NEPHEW PLC - Form 6-K

exercised/ converted.

 Rights
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 GB0009223206
 91,549,644
 91,549,644
 NI/AB01,277
 NI/AI %

**B: Qualifying Financial Instruments** 

Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

Type of financial Expiration Exercise/ Number of % of instrument date Conversion voting voting viii Period rights that rights xiv may be acquired if the instrument is

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

xv. xvi

Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

Type of financial instrument	Exercise price	Expiration date	Exercise/ Conversion period xviii	Number of voting rights instrument refers to	voting rights
CED	N/A	N/A	N/A	2 433 549	<b>Netta</b> inal 0.27%

Total (A+B+C)

Number of voting rights

44,241,836

Percentage of voting rights

4.98%

9. Chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the

financial instruments are effectively held, if applicable:

BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited - 44,241,836 (4.98%)

**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:

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BlackRock Compliance

13. Additional information: Disclosures Team

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