

SMITH & NEPHEW PLC  
Form 6-K  
August 17, 2009

**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**

August 14, 2009

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: August 14, 2009

By: /s/ Susan Henderson

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Susan Henderson  
Company Secretary

**RIS Announcement -Award grant  
Smith & Nephew Plc  
("the Company")**

**Employee Share Plans - Announcement of transaction in ordinary shares of  
US\$0.20 each**

**and American  
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**shares  
(ADSs) representing five ordinary shares  
of  
US  
\$  
0.20  
each.**

The Company announces that on  
13 August  
2009

conditional  
awards

were  
made under the Company's  
2004 Performance Share  
Plan  
, 2001 US Share Option Plan, 2001 UK Unapproved Share Plan and the 2004 Executive Share Option  
Plans

to persons discharging managerial responsibility ("PDMR") as detailed in the table  
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below. No co  
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**PERFORMANCE SHARE PLAN  
("PSP")**

<b>Name</b>	<b>PDMR</b>	<b>Number of shares subject to award</b>	<b>Total Number of Shares over which awards held under the PSP following Notification</b>
David Illingworth	Chief Executive	53,362 ADSs	600,016 ordinary shares (of which 69,534 are held as ADSs )
Adrian Hennah	Chief Financial Officer	161,273 ordinary shares	389,591 ordinary shares
Mark Augusti	PDMR	8,590 ADSs	18,859 ADSs
Elizabeth Bolgiano	PDMR	8,002 ADSs	15,957 ADSs
John Campo	PDMR	8,817 ADSs	14,658 ADSs
Joseph DeVivo	PDMR	9,481 ADSs	21,086 ADSs
Michael Frazzette	PDMR	9,007 ADSs	19,710 ADSs
Gordon Howe	PDMR	7,300 ADSs	13,680 ADSs
Roger Teasdale	PDMR	35,229 ordinary shares	59,312 ordinary shares

**Notes:**

- There are performance conditions attached to the release of this award under the Performance Share Plan, and the awards will vest, subject to the achievement of the performance conditions which are measured from 1 January 2009 to 31 December 2011, on 13 August 2012.
- 1 ADS is equal to 5 ordinary shares of US\$0.20
- The transaction took place in London, UK
- This announcement is made following notifications under Disclosure Rule 3.1.2.

**2001 US SHARE****OPTION AND 2001 UK UNAPPROVED SHARE PLANS**

<b>Name</b>	<b>PDMR</b>	<b>Share Option Plan</b>	<b>Number of Ordinary shares subject to award</b>	<b>Option Price</b>	<b>Total Number of Shares over which Options held following Notification</b>
Mark Augusti	PDMR	US Share Plan	57,191	<b>479p</b>	219,432 ordinary shares (including options over 12,500 ADS)
Elizabeth Bolgiano	PDMR	US Share Plan	53,277	<b>479p</b>	159,201 ordinary shares
John Campo	PDMR	US Share Plan	58,706	<b>479p</b>	147,179 ordinary shares
Joseph DeVivo	PDMR	US Share Plan	63,125	<b>479p</b>	140,320 ordinary shares
Michael Frazzette	IPDMR	US Share Plan	59,969	<b>479p</b>	159,062 ordinary shares
Gordon Howe	PDMR	US Share Plan	48,606	<b>479p</b>	150,341 ordinary shares (including options over 4,000 ADS)
Roger Teasdale	PDMR	UK Unapproved Plan	46,972	<b>479p</b>	99,116 ordinary shares

**Notes:**

- The US Share Option Plan will vest in equal annual tranches over three

years following the award date and will be exercisable from 13 August 2012 to 12 August 2019.

- The UK Unapproved Share Option Plan will vest three years from the award date , subject to the attainment of the relevant performance conditions and will be exercisable from 13

August 2012 to 12 August 2019.

- The transaction took place in London, UK
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## 2004 EXECUTIVE SHARE OPTION PLAN

Name	PDMR	Number of shares subject to award	Option Price	Total Number of Shares over which Options held following Notification
D a v i d Illingworth	Chief Executive	35,575 ADSs	\$39.55	697,740 ordinary shares (including options over 55,575 ADS)
A d r i a n Hennah	Chief Financial Officer	107,515 ordinary shares	479p	323,008 ordinary shares

### Notes:

- There are performance conditions attached to the release of this award under the Executive Share Option Plan and the awards will vest, subject to the achievement of the performance conditions, on 13 August 2012. Any options which vest will be exercisable from 13

August 2012 to 12 August 2019

- 1ADS is equal to 5 ordinary shares of US\$0.20
- The transaction took place in London, UK
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