

SMITH & NEPHEW PLC  
Form 6-K  
August 11, 2016  
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 11, 2016

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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registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2 (b) : 82- n/a.

TR-1: NOTIFICATION OF  
MAJOR INTEREST IN  
SHARES<sup>i</sup>

1. Identity of the issuer  
or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are attached: ii  
Smith & Nephew plc

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

An acquisition or disposal of voting rights  Yes

An acquisition or disposal of qualifying financial instruments which may result in the acquisition of shares already issued to which voting rights are attached  No

An acquisition or disposal of instruments with similar economic effect to qualifying financial instruments  No

An event changing the breakdown of voting rights  No

Other (please specify):  No

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

4. Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3.):iv

5. Date of the transaction and date on which the threshold is crossed or reached: v  
10 August 2016

6. Date on which issuer notified:  
August 2016

7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed: 5%  
Breached: vi, vii

8. Notified details:  
A: Voting rights attached to shares viii, ix

Class/type of shares if possible using the ISIN CODE	Situation previous to the triggering transaction		Resulting situation after the triggering transaction		
	Number of Shares	Number of Voting Rights	Number of shares	Number of voting rights	% of voting rights x
				Direct Indirect xii	Direct Indirect
ORD USD0.20 GB0009223206	44,940,253	44,940,253	44,235,575	4.93%	

B: Qualifying Financial Instruments  
Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

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

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 xvii	Exercise/Conversion period xviii	Number of voting rights instrument refers to	% of voting rights xix, xx

Not final

Total (A+B+C) Number of voting rights 44,235,575	Percentage of voting rights 4.93%
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9. Chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments are effectively held, if applicable:

xxi

Invesco Advisers, Inc. - 14,614,812

Invesco Canada Ltd - 891,359

Invesco Asset Management Limited -  
28,253,403

Invesco Asset Management Japan Ltd - 25,297

Invesco PowerShares Capital Management LLC  
- 398,774

Invesco Management SA - 51,930

Proxy Voting:

10. Name of the proxy holder: Invesco Limited

11. Number of voting rights  
proxy holder will cease to hold: N/A

12. Date on which proxy  
holder will cease to hold voting  
rights: N/A

13. Additional information:

14. Contact name: Philippa Holmes

15. Contact telephone number: 01491 417 000

Elaine Richardson  
Deputy Company Secretary  
Smith & Nephew plc  
Tel: 01923 477320

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 11, 2016

By: /s/ Susan Swabey

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Susan Swabey

Company Secretary