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May 23, 2003

FORM 6-K

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

May 23, 2003

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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## 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: May 23, 2003

By: /s/ Paul Chamber  
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Paul Chambers  
Company Secretary

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20 May 2003

### Smith & Nephew Update on Centerpulse Offer

Smith & Nephew notes this morning's announcement by Zimmer Holdings, Inc. concerning Centerpulse AG.

The Board of Centerpulse gave Smith & Nephew's offer full and careful consideration and unanimously recommended it to its shareholders. By contrast, Zimmer's proposed offer for Centerpulse is subject to a number of additional conditions and to a period of due diligence, following which Zimmer has reserved the right to reduce its offer price.

Smith & Nephew will continue to monitor the situation.

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23 May 2003

The Secretary  
London Stock Exchange  
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Dear Sirs,

Dealing by Directors in Ordinary shares of Smith & Nephew plc

We have been notified of the following transactions by Directors of Smith & Nephew plc:

Mr C J O'Donnell:

- o Acquired 14 Ordinary shares of 12 2/9 pence each in Smith & Nephew plc, by re-investment of a dividend, paid on 16 May 2003, through an ISA. Each share was purchased at 411.5 pence on 16 May 2003.
- o Acquired 560 Ordinary shares of 12 2/9 pence each in Smith & Nephew plc and Mrs. M O'Donnell 293 Ordinary Shares, by re-investment of a dividend, paid on 16 May 2003. Each share was purchased at 416.1 pence on 16 May 2003.

Mr C J O'Donnell now has an interest in 123,003 shares representing 0.013% of the issued share capital.

Mr P Hooley acquired 14 Ordinary shares of 12 2/9 pence each in Smith & Nephew plc, by re-investment of a dividend, paid on 16 May 2003, through an ISA. Each share was purchased at 411.5 pence on 16 May 2003.

Mr P Hooley now has an interest in 111,585 shares representing 0.012% of the issued share capital.

Yours faithfully,

P.R Chambers  
Company Secretary