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Form 6-K  
July 12, 2002

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

July 12, 2002

SMITH & NEPHEW plc  
(Registrant's name)

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

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Yes                                      No    X  
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The Secretary  
London Stock Exchange  
RNS  
Old Broad Street

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Dear Sirs,

Dealing by Director in Ordinary shares of Smith & Nephew plc

We have been informed today that Dr. Rolf Stomberg, a director of Smith & Nephew plc, acquired 49 Ordinary shares of the Company at 337 pence each, through the re-investment of the final dividend, on 4 July 2002. Dr. Stomberg now has a beneficial interest in 6,913 Ordinary shares being 0.00075% of the issued share capital of the Company.

Yours faithfully,

P.R. Chambers  
Company Secretary