

SMITH & NEPHEW PLC  
Form 6-K  
December 04, 2013

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

December 04, 2013

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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Smith & Nephew plc

**DIRECTORATE CHANGE**

Following the announcement on 31 October 2013, the Company confirms, in accordance with Listing Rule 9.6.12 R, that Roberto Quarta is appointed as Non-Executive Director and Chairman Elect with effect from today.

Contact:

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Deputy Company Secretary  
Smith & Nephew plc

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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: December 04, 2013

By: /s/ Susan Swabey  
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Susan Swabey  
Company Secretary