

SMITH & NEPHEW PLC  
Form 6-K  
February 15, 2011

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

February 15, 2011

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: February 15, 2011

By: /s/ Susan Henderson  
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Susan Henderson

Company Secretary

Smith & Nephew plc

15 February 2011

Smith & Nephew plc - Transaction in Own Shares

Smith & Nephew plc announces that on today it transferred a total of 1,000,000 ordinary shares of US\$0.20 each to participants of the Smith & Nephew ShareSave. The shares will be used to satisfy options and awards under the Company Share Plans.

The transferred shares were all formerly held as Treasury Shares.

Following the above transfer, Smith & Nephew plc holds 61,720,798 ordinary shares in treasury, and has 891,853,130 ordinary shares in issue (excluding treasury shares).

Gemma Parsons  
Deputy Company Secretary  
Smith & Nephew plc  
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