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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): June 20, 2012

Shire plc

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Jersey, Channel Islands

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-29630	98-0601486
(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

5 Riverwalk, Citywest Business Campus, Dublin
24, Republic of Ireland

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code +353 1 429 7700

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 8.01. Other Events

Shire plc has issued the press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.01 which is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is filed herewith:

99.01 Press Release dated June 20, 2012

SIGNATURE

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 hereunto duly authorized.

SHIRE PLC

By: /s/ A C Russell
Name: Angus Russell
Title: Chief Executive Officer

Dated: June 20, 2012

EXHIBIT INDEX

Number	Description
99.01	Press release dated June 20, 2012

Exhibit 99.01

Press Release

www.shire.com

Director's Share Dealings

June 20, 2012 – Shire plc (LSE: SHP, NASDAQ: SHPGY), the global specialty biopharmaceutical company (the "Company") was notified today that on June 19, 2012, Angus Russell, Chief Executive Officer, exercised a Stock Appreciation Right Award ("Award"). The Award was granted in 2009 under the Shire Portfolio Share Plan over Shire plc ordinary shares of 5p ("Shares").

Number of Shares exercised	Exercise price	Number of Shares received	Number of Shares sold	Average sale price
295,580	£8.83	159,289	116,430	£19.36789

The 116,430 Shares were sold on June 19, 2012, of which 66,430 Shares were sold to satisfy Mr Russell's personal tax liabilities.

Following these transactions Mr Russell's shareholding in the Company has increased by 42,859 Shares to 261,991 Shares. He also holds awards of stock appreciation rights, performance shares and restricted shares over 388,113 American Depositary Shares ("ADSs"). One ADS is equal to three Shares.

This notification relates to disclosures made in accordance with 3.1.4(R)(1)(a) of the Disclosure and Transparency Rules.

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Deputy Company Secretary

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Notes to editors

SHIRE PLC

Shire's strategic goal is to become the leading specialty biopharmaceutical company that focuses on meeting the needs of the specialist physician. Shire focuses its business on attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, human genetic therapies, gastrointestinal diseases and regenerative medicine as well as opportunities in other therapeutic areas to the extent they arise through acquisitions. Shire's in-licensing, merger and acquisition efforts are focused on products in specialist markets with strong intellectual property protection and global rights. Shire believes that a carefully selected and balanced portfolio of products with strategically aligned and relatively small-scale sales forces will deliver strong results.

For further information on Shire, please visit the Company's website: www.shire.com .

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