

Holding(s) in Company

December 21, 2018 – Shire plc (LSE: SHP, NASDAQ: SHPG)

1a. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are attachedⁱ:		Shire Plc JE00B2QKY057		
1b. Please indicate if the issuer is a non-UK issuer (please mark with an “X” if appropriate)				
Non-UK issuer				X
2. Reason for the notification (please mark the appropriate box or boxes with an “X”)				
An acquisition or disposal of voting rights				X
An acquisition or disposal of financial instruments				
An event changing the breakdown of voting rights				
Other (please specify) ⁱⁱⁱ :				
3. Details of person subject to the notification obligation^{iv}				
Name		UBS Investment Bank UBS Group AG		
City and country of registered office (if applicable)		Zürich Switzerland		
4. Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3.) ^v				
Name		UBS AG London Branch		
City and country of registered office (if applicable)		London, United Kingdom		
5. Date on which the threshold was crossed or reached^{vi}:		18 December 2018		
6. Date on which issuer notified (DD/MM/YYYY):		20 December 2018		
7. Total positions of person(s) subject to the notification obligation				
	% of voting rights attached to shares (total of 8. A)	% of voting rights through financial instruments (total of 8.B 1 + 8.B 2)	Total of both in % (8.A + 8.B)	Total number of voting rights of issuer ^{vii}
Resulting situation on the date on which threshold was crossed or reached	3.74%	2.26%	6.01%	917'035'252

Position of previous notification (if applicable)	No Previous Disclosure	No Previous Disclosure	No Previous Disclosure	
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8. Notified details of the resulting situation on the date on which the threshold was crossed or reached^{viii}

A: Voting rights attached to shares

Class/type of shares ISIN code (if possible)	Number of voting rights ^{ix}		% of voting rights	
	Direct (Art 9 of Directive 2004/109/EC) (DTR5.1)	Indirect (Art 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC) (DTR5.2.1)	Direct (Art 9 of Directive 2004/109/EC) (DTR5.1)	Indirect (Art 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC) (DTR5.2.1)
JE00B2QKY057		34'317'833		3.74%
SUBTOTAL 8. A		34'317'833		3.74%

B 1: Financial Instruments according to Art. 13(1)(a) of Directive 2004/109/EC (DTR5.3.1.1 (a))

Type of financial instrument	Expiration date ^x	Exercise/ Conversion Period ^{xi}	Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/converted.	% of voting rights
Right to recall lent shares		Anytime	1'264	0.0001%
Right to recall lent ADRs (US82481R1068)		Anytime	1'828'344	0.20%
US82481R1068			16'918'686	1.84%
Physically settled Long Call Options	21/12/2018 to 18/04/2019		1'083'000	0.12%
		SUBTOTAL 8. B 1	19'831'294	2.16%

B 2: Financial Instruments with similar economic effect according to Art. 13(1)(b) of Directive 2004/109/EC (DTR5.3.1.1 (b))

Type of financial instrument	Expiration date ^x	Exercise/ Conversion Period ^{xi}	Physical or cash settlement ^{xii}	Number of voting rights	% of voting rights
Short Put Options	21/12/2018 to 18/01/2019		Physical	928'800	0.10%

			SUBTOTAL 8.B.2	928'800	0.10%

9. Information in relation to the person subject to the notification obligation (please mark the applicable box with an "X")

Person subject to the notification obligation is not controlled by any natural person or legal entity and does not control any other undertaking(s) holding directly or indirectly an interest in the (underlying) issuer ^{xiii}	
<u>Full</u> chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments are effectively held starting with the ultimate controlling natural person or legal entity ^{xiv} (please add additional rows as necessary)	X

Name^{xv}	% of voting rights if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold	% of voting rights through financial instruments if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold	Total of both if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold
UBS Group AG			
UBS AG			
UBS AG London Branch	3.69%		5.95%
UBS Group AG			
UBS AG			
UBS Limited			
UBS Group AG			
UBS AG			
UBS Switzerland AG			
UBS Group AG			
UBS AG			
UBS Americas Holding LLC			
UBS Americas Inc.			

UBS Securities LLC			
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10. In case of proxy voting, please identify:	
Name of the proxy holder	
The number and % of voting rights held	
The date until which the voting rights will be held	

11. Additional information^{xvi}

Place of completion	Opfikon, Switzerland
Date of completion	20.12.2018

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NOTES TO EDITORS

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