

GLAXOSMITHKLINE PLC  
Form 6-K  
July 02, 2009

**FORM 6-K**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington D.C. 20549**

**Report of Foreign Issuer**

**Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

For period ending July 2009

**GlaxoSmithKline plc**  
(Name of registrant)

**980 Great West Road, Brentford, Middlesex, TW8 9GS**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

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information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the  
information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the

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## **GSK further extends its product portfolio in the Middle East and North Africa**

GlaxoSmithKline plc (GSK) today announced that it has acquired the branded generics business of Bristol Myers Squibb (BMS) in Lebanon, Jordan, Syria, Libya and Yemen for a cash consideration of \$23.2m (£14.2m). The business comprises a portfolio of 13 branded pharmaceuticals with annual sales in 2008 of \$11.8m. This purchase is another step forward in GSK's strategy to accelerate growth in emerging markets and signals a strong commitment to provide quality medicines to patients in the Middle East and North Africa.

This acquisition builds upon GSK's previous purchases of mature branded products in 2008 from BMS in Pakistan and Egypt, which included a high quality manufacturing plant in Giza, Greater Cairo.

BMS will continue to supply the products acquired today until 2011 when it is anticipated that manufacture will transfer to GSK's Giza plant.

**GlaxoSmithKline** - one of the world's leading research-based pharmaceutical and healthcare companies - is committed to improving the quality of human life by enabling people to do more, feel better and live longer. For further information please visit [www.gsk.com](http://www.gsk.com)

**S M Bicknell**

**Company Secretary**

**2 July 2009**

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**Cautionary statement regarding forward-looking statements**

Under the safe harbor provisions of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, GSK cautions investors that any forward-looking statements or projections made by GSK, including those made in this announcement, are subject to risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially from those projected. Factors that may affect GSK's operations are described under 'Risk Factors' in the 'Business Review' in the company's Annual Report on Form 20-F for 2008.

**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 authorised.

**GlaxoSmithKline plc**  
(Registrant)

Date: July 02, 2009

By: VICTORIA WHYTE

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Victoria Whyte  
Authorised Signatory for and on  
behalf of GlaxoSmithKline plc