

FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer
Pursuant to Rule 13a - 16 under
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

For the period ended September 7, 2005

ICON plc
(Registrant's name)

0-29714
(Commission file number)

South County Business Park, Leopardstown, Dublin 18, Ireland.
(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Yes No

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Yes No

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Yes No

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Yes No

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):82 **N/A**

Other Events.

The registrant hereby incorporates by reference the press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 into this report.

Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) The following Exhibits are filed as part of this report:

EXHIBIT NO.	DESCRIPTION
99.1	Press Release

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.

ICON plc

September 7, 2005
Date

/s/ Sean Leech
Sean Leech
Chief Financial Officer

ICON Announces New Appointments

Dublin, Ireland, Monday, August 30, 2005 – ICON plc (NASDAQ: ICLR) today announced the appointment of Mr. Sean Leech, currently Chief Financial Officer, to the position of Executive Vice President – Commercial and Organisational Development. This new role will focus on identifying and supporting initiatives to enhance margins, to develop new business lines and to integrate acquisitions. The role will also oversee ICON's investor relations' programme.

"Sean has been an outstanding CFO for ICON" commented ICON's Chief Executive, Peter Gray. "I am delighted to be able to appoint someone with his skills and experience to this role, which will be key to supporting ICON's continued growth and development".

Mr. Ciaran Murray, who will join ICON on October 3, 2005, will succeed Mr. Leech as CFO. Mr. Murray was previously CFO of Codec Systems Limited, an IT company headquartered in Ireland. He has also held Senior Financial positions with Novell Inc. and Kraft Foods and has worked in Ireland, Italy the UK and the US during his career. He qualified as a Chartered Accountant with Price Waterhouse Coopers in 1988.

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