UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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| | | | Name of Issuer) | | |
| | American Depos | sitary S | hares, representing Ord | inary Shares | |
| | (| Title o | f Class of Securities) | | |
| | | | 45103T107 | | |
| | | | (CUSIP Number) | | |
| | | D | ecember 31, 2004 | | |
| | (Date of Even | nt Which | Requires Filing of thi | s Statement) | |
| | eck the appropriate e is filed: | box to | designate the rule pur | suant to which this | |
| | [] Rule 13d-1(b) | | | | |
| | [] Rule 13d-1(c) | | | | |
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| 1 | NAME OF REPORTING I.R.S. IDENTIFICAT | | Dr. John Climax OF ABOVE PERSON (ENTI) | IES ONLY): n/a | |
| 2 | CHECK THE APPROXIMATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) [] (b) [] | | | | |
| 3 | SEC USE ONLY | | | | |
| 4 | CITIZENSHIP OR PLA | CE OF O | RGANIZATION: | | |
| | | Re | public of Ireland | | |
| | | 5 | SOLE VOTING POWER | | |
| | NUMBER OF | | 1,571,892 | | |
| | SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY | 6 | SHARED VOTING POWER | | |

| | EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH | | 0 | | |
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| F | | 7 | SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER | | |
| | | | 1,571,892 | | |
| | | 8 | SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER | | |
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| 9 | AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON: 1,571,892 | | | | |
| 10 | CHECK BOX IF AGGRE | GATE A | MOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHA | ARES [] | |
| 11 | PERCENT OF CLASS R | EPRESE | NTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9): | 11.3% | |
| 12 | TYPE OF REPORTING | PERSON | : IN | | |

| | (a) | Name of Issuer: | | | |
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| | | The name of the issuer is ICON plc (the "Issuer"). | | | |
| | (b) | Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices: | | | |
| | | The principal executive offices of the Issuer are located at South County Business Park, Leopardstown, Dublin 18, Ireland. | | | |
| Item 2. | | | | | |
| | (a) | Name of Person Filing: | | | |
| | | This Schedule 13G Statement (this "Statement") is hereby filed by Dr. John Climax. | | | |
| | (b) | Address of Principal Business Office, or, if none, Residence: | | | |
| | | South County Business Park, Leopardstown Dublin, Ireland | | | |
| | (c) | Citizenship: | | | |
| | | Republic of Ireland | | | |
| | (d) | Title of Class of Securities: | | | |
| | | American Depositary Shares, representing Ordinary Shares. | | | |
| | (e) | CUSIP Number: 45103T107 | | | |
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| Item 3. | em 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to Rules 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a: | | | | |
| | (a) | [] Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 780); | | | |
| | (b) | [] Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c); | | | |
| | (c) | [] Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c); | | | |
| | (d) | [] Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8); | | | |
| | (e) | <pre>[] An investment adviser in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);</pre> | | | |
| | (f) | <pre>[] An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);</pre> | | | |
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Item 1.

- (h) [] A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
- (i) [] A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
- (j) [] Group, in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).

Item 4. Ownership.

(a) Amount beneficially owned:

1,571,892

(b) Percent of class:

11.3%

(c) Voting and dispositive power:

1,571,892

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.

Not Applicable

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

Not Applicable

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company.

Not applicable.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

Not applicable.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.

Not applicable.

Item 10. Certification.

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and $\frac{1}{2}$ correct.

Dated: October 11, 2005

/s/ John Climax

Name: Dr. John Climax Title: Chairman of the Board