

NOVO NORDISK A S  
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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 6-K**

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**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER**

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

**March 29, 2011**

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**NOVO NORDISK A/S**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Novo Allé  
DK- 2880, Bagsvaerd  
Denmark**

(Address of principal executive offices)

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## Company Announcement

28 March 2011

## Novo Nordisk A/S – Share repurchase programme

On 2 February 2011 Novo Nordisk initiated a share repurchase programme in accordance with the provisions of the European Commission's regulation no 2273/2003 of 22 December 2003, also referred to as the Safe Harbour rules.

Under the programme Novo Nordisk will repurchase B shares for an amount up to DKK 2.0 billion in the period from 2 February 2011 to 26 April 2011.

Since the announcement as of 21 March 2011, the following transactions have been made under the programme:

	<b>Number of shares</b>	<b>Average Transaction value, purchase price</b>	<b>DKK</b>
<b>Accumulated, last announcement</b>	1,738,000		1,138,679,882
21 March 2011	50,000	653.8460	32,692,300
22 March 2011	52,500	648.7900	34,061,475
23 March 2011	45,000	649.3634	29,221,353
24 March 2011	45,000	641.1950	28,853,775
25 March 2011	60,000	638.5083	38,310,498
<b>Accumulated under the programme</b>	<b>1,990,500</b>		<b>1,301,819,283</b>

Transactions related to Novo Nordisk's incentive programmes have resulted in an increase of 46,527 B shares in Novo Nordisk's holding of treasury shares in the period from 21 March 2011 to 25 March 2011. The shares in these transactions were not part of the Safe Harbour repurchase programme.

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With the transactions stated above, Novo Nordisk owns a total of 29,247,509 treasury shares, corresponding to 4.9% of the share capital. The total amount of shares in the company is 600,000,000 including treasury shares.

Novo Nordisk expects to repurchase B shares worth DKK 10.0 billion during 2011. As of 25 March 2011, Novo Nordisk has repurchased a total of 1,990,500 B shares equal to a transaction value of DKK 1,301,819,283.

*Novo Nordisk is a global healthcare company with 87 years of innovation and leadership in diabetes care. The company also has leading positions within haemophilia care, growth hormone therapy and hormone replacement therapy. Headquartered in Denmark, Novo Nordisk employs approximately 30,900 employees in 76 countries, and markets its products in 179 countries. Novo Nordisk's B shares are listed on NASDAQ OMX Copenhagen (Novo-B). Its ADRs are listed on the New York Stock Exchange (NVO). For more information, visit [novonordisk.com](http://novonordisk.com).*

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## 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 of the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 29, 2011

NOVO NORDISK A/S

Lars Rebien Sørensen,

President and Chief Executive Officer

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