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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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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

**October 10, 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

10 October 2011

## Novo Nordisk A/S – Share repurchase programme

On 11 August 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 2.1 billion in the period from 11 August 2011 to 25 October 2011.

Since the announcement as of 3 October 2011, the following transactions have been made under the programme:

	<b>Number of shares</b>	<b>Average purchase price</b>	<b>Transaction value, DKK</b>
<b>Accumulated, last announcement</b>	<b>2,575,201</b>		<b>1,410,771,407</b>
3 October 2011	70,000	554.3100	38,801,700
4 October 2011	70,000	553.2100	38,724,700
5 October 2011	75,000	545.6507	40,923,803
6 October 2011	75,000	539.3000	40,447,500
7 October 2011	74,756	530.8298	39,682,713
<b>Accumulated under the programme</b>	<b>2,939,957</b>		<b>1,609,351,822</b>

Transactions related to Novo Nordisk's incentive programmes have resulted in a net sale by Novo Nordisk of 500,000 B shares in the period from 3 October to 7 October 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 20,830,379 treasury shares, corresponding to 3.6% of the share capital. The total amount of shares in the company is 580,000,000 including treasury shares.

Novo Nordisk expects to repurchase B shares worth DKK 10.0 billion during 2011. As of 7 October 2011, Novo Nordisk has repurchased a total of 14,212,010 B shares equal to a transaction value of DKK 8,521,420,529.

*Novo Nordisk is a global healthcare company with 88 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 32,000 employees in 74 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: October 10, 2011

NOVO NORDISK A/S

Lars Rebien Sørensen,

President and Chief Executive Officer

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