

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

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

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

May 2, 2012

NOVO NORDISK A/S

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Novo Allé

DK- 2880, Bagsvaerd

Denmark

(Address of principal executive offices)

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

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes No

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g-32(b):82-_____

Company Announcement

2 May 2012

Novo Nordisk A/S – Share repurchase programme

As part of the execution of Novo Nordisk A/S' DKK 12 billion share repurchase programme for a 12-month period starting 2 February 2012, a new share repurchase programme has been initiated 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.

For that purpose Novo Nordisk A/S has appointed J. P. Morgan Securities Ltd. as lead manager to independently and without influence from Novo Nordisk execute the programme. The purpose of the programme is reduction of the company's share capital. Under the agreement J. P. Morgan Securities Ltd. will repurchase shares on behalf of Novo Nordisk A/S for an amount of up to DKK 1.8 billion during the trading period starting 2 May 2012 and ending on 7 August 2012. A maximum of 159,127 shares can be bought during one single trading day, equal to 20% of the average daily trading volume of Novo Nordisk B shares on NASDAQ OMX Copenhagen during the month of April 2012, and a maximum of 10,343,255 shares in total can be bought during the trading period. At least once every seven trading days, Novo Nordisk will issue an announcement in respect of the transactions made under the repurchase programme.

Novo Nordisk is a global healthcare company with 89 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 32,700 employees in 75 countries, and markets its products in more than 190 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.

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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: May 2, 2012

NOVO NORDISK A/S

Lars Rebien Sørensen,

President and Chief Executive Officer