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

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER

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

June 15, 2009

 ${\tt NOVO~NORDISK~A/S} \\ ({\tt Exact~name~of~Registrant~as~specified~in~its~charter})$

NOVO ALLE

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DENMARK

(Address of principal executive offices)

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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 [X]

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TRANSACTION IN OWN SHARES

NOVO NORDISK A/S - SHARE REPURCHASE PROGRAMME

On 29 January 2009 Novo Nordisk initiated its 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.

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Under the programme Novo Nordisk will repurchase B shares for an amount up to DKK 3.0 billion in the period from 29 January 2009 to 5 August 2009.

Since the announcement as of 8 June 2009, the following transactions have been made under the programme:

	NUMBER OF	AVERAGE PURCHASE	TRANSACTION
	SHARES	PRICE	VALUE, DKK
ACCUMULATED, LAST			
ANNOUNCEMENT	7,096,682		1,960,058,113
08 June 2009	130,000	277.00	36,009,584
09 June 2009	80,000	276.44	22,115,200
10 June 2009	80,000	276.26	22,100,800
11 June 2009	75,000	278.35	20,876,250
12 June 2009	80,000	280.05	22,404,000
ACCUMULATED UNDER			
THE PROGRAMME	7,541,682		2,083,563,947

With the transactions stated above, Novo Nordisk owns a total of 32,341,925 treasury shares, corresponding to 5.1% of the share capital. The total amount of shares in the company is 634,000,000 including treasury shares.

The Annual General Meeting of Novo Nordisk A/S, which was held on 18 March 2009, approved a 2.2% reduction in the total share capital by cancellation of 14,000,000 treasury B shares of DKK 1 at a nominal value of DKK 14,000,000. After the legal implementation of the share capital reduction, which is expected to take place after expiry of the legal notice period in June 2009, Novo Nordisk's share capital will amount to DKK 620,000,000 divided into an A share capital of DKK 107,487,200 and a B share capital of DKK 512,512,800. Taking into account the expected cancellation Novo Nordisk would currently own 3.0% of such reduced share capital.

Novo Nordisk is a healthcare company and a world leader in diabetes care. In addition, Novo Nordisk has a leading position within areas such as haemostasis management, growth hormone therapy and hormone replacement therapy. Novo Nordisk manufactures and markets pharmaceutical products and services that make a significant difference to patients, the medical profession and society. With headquarters in Denmark, Novo Nordisk employs more than 27,900 employees in 81 countries, and markets its products in 179 countries. Novo Nordisk's B shares are listed on the stock exchanges in Copenhagen and London. Its ADRs are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol '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: June 15, 2009 NOVO NORDISK A/S

Lars Rebien Sorensen, President and Chief Executive Officer