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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

NOVEMBER 24, 2009

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

NOVO ALLE
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 [X]

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TRANSACTION IN OWN SHARES

NOVO NORDISK A/S - SHARE REPURCHASE PROGRAMME

On 7 August 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 2.4 billion in the period from 10 August 2009 to 18 December 2009.

Since the announcement as of 16 November 2009, the following transactions have been made under the programme:

	NUMBER OF SHARES	AVERAGE PURCHASE PRICE	TRANSACTION VALUE, DKK
ACCUMULATED, LAST			,
ANNOUNCEMENT	5,464,099		1,746,802,641
16 November 2009	70,000	328.7680	23,013,760
17 November 2009	61,500	327.3010	20,129,012
18 November 2009	70,000	329.2998	23,050,986
19 November 2009	68,000	329.5300	22,408,040
20 November 2009	60,000	330.7910	19,847,460
ACCUMULATED UNDER THE			
PROGRAMME	5,793,599		1,855,251,898

With the transactions stated above, Novo Nordisk owns a total of 30,509,977 treasury shares, corresponding to 4.9% of the share capital. The total amount of shares in the company is 620,000,000 including treasury shares.

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 29,000 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: NOVEMBER 24, 2009 NOVO NORDISK A/S

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Lars Rebien Sorensen,
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