

NOVO NORDISK A S  
Form 6-K  
December 15, 2010

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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

**December 15, 2010**

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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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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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Yes  No

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## Company Announcement

15 December 2010

Trading in Novo Nordisk shares by board members, executives and associated persons on 14 December 2010

In accordance with Section 28a of the Danish Securities Trading Act, Novo Nordisk is required on a daily basis to publish trading in Novo Nordisk shares by the company's board members, executives and their associated persons as reported by those persons to Novo Nordisk.

Please find below a statement of such trading in shares issued by Novo Nordisk.

This reporting relates to shares purchased under a general employee share programme where all employees in Novo Nordisk A/S and certain Danish affiliates have been offered to buy up to 50 shares at a price of DKK 275 per share. The binding offer to the employees was made on 9 December 2010, and the period in which the employees can accept the offer is 13-22 December 2010. Shares purchased under the programme will be locked up until the end of 2015.

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**Name** Ulrik Hjulmand-Lassen  
**Reason for reporting** Member of the Board of Directors  
**Financial instrument and ID code** Novo Nordisk B DK006010261  
**Type of transaction** Purchase of shares under a general employee share program  
**Date of transaction** 14 December 2010  
**Place of transaction** NASDAQ OMX Copenhagen  
**Volume of transaction** 50 shares  
**Total value of transaction** DKK 13,750

**Name** Anne Marie Kverneland  
**Reason for reporting** Member of the Board of Directors  
**Financial instrument and ID code** Novo Nordisk B DK006010261  
**Type of transaction** Purchase of shares under a general employee share program  
**Date of transaction** 14 December 2010  
**Place of transaction** NASDAQ OMX Copenhagen  
**Volume of transaction** 50 shares  
**Total value of transaction** DKK 13,750

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**Name** Søren Thuesen Pedersen  
**Reason for reporting** Member of the Board of Directors  
**Financial instrument and ID code** Novo Nordisk B DK006010261  
**Type of transaction** Purchase of shares under a general employee share program  
**Date of transaction** 14 December 2010  
**Place of transaction** NASDAQ OMX Copenhagen  
**Volume of transaction** 50 shares  
**Total value of transaction** DKK 13,750

**Name** Stig Strøbæk  
**Reason for reporting** Member of the Board of Directors  
**Financial instrument and ID code** Novo Nordisk B DK006010261  
**Type of transaction** Purchase of shares under a general employee share program  
**Date of transaction** 14 December 2010  
**Place of transaction** NASDAQ OMX Copenhagen  
**Volume of transaction** 50 shares  
**Total value of transaction** DKK 13,750

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## **Definitions and background information:**

### **Publication**

Publication shall take place the day after Novo Nordisk receives sufficient information on the trading. Publication is only required when the total amount of transactions of a specific board member/executive and his/her associated persons in any one calendar year has reached 5,000 euros.

### **Who are board members, executives and associated persons?**

Board members and executives are members of the Board of Directors and Executive Management, respectively, of Novo Nordisk A/S. Associated persons are defined as the following persons associated to a board member/executive: 1) spouse or cohabitant, 2) children under the age of 18 years, 3) relatives defined as brothers, sisters, parents, grandparents etc, children, grandchildren etc who have shared the same household with a board member/executive for at least one year, and 4) any legal person, including a company, a foundation or a partnership, which is controlled directly or indirectly by a board member/executive and/or a person mentioned in 1)–3), or to which a board member/executive and/or a person mentioned in 1)–3) has managerial responsibilities or economic interests substantially equivalent to the legal person.

### **What is trading/transaction?**

Trading is any kind of transaction, including shares purchased or otherwise acquired, shares sold or otherwise disposed, gifts, mortgages and grants and exercise of options, but not heritage.

### **What is financial instrument and ID code?**

Financial instrument includes shares listed on the NASDAQ OMX Copenhagen and ADRs listed on New York Stock Exchange, except for ADRs held in 401(k) retirement plan by US-based employees. The ID code is the code (ISIN DK006010261) of the Novo Nordisk share on the NASDAQ OMX Copenhagen or the code (NVO) on New York Stock Exchange.

### **What is date and place of transaction?**

Date of transaction is the actual transaction date. The place of transaction is the actual place of transaction, ie NASDAQ OMX Copenhagen or New York Stock Exchange.

### **What is volume and value of transaction?**

The volume of transaction is the number of shares (of DKK 1 nominal value) or other financial instruments traded. The transaction value is the number of shares traded multiplied by the transaction price. The exchange rate of the Danish Central Bank (Nationalbanken) on the date of transaction is used for calculating the transaction value in DKK in case of ADRs listed on New York Stock Exchange.

*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 30,100 employees in 76 countries, and markets its products in 179 countries. Novo Nordisk's B shares are listed on the*

*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: December 15, 2010

NOVO NORDISK A/S

Lars Rebien Sørensen,

President and Chief Executive Officer

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