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Form 6-K  
May 10, 2006

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

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FORM 6-K  
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REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER

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

May 10 2006  
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NOVO NORDISK A/S  
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

NOVO ALLE  
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

Form 20-F  Form 40-F

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-\_\_\_\_\_

DIRECTOR/PDMR SHAREHOLDING

TRADING IN NOVO NORDISK SHARES BY BOARD MEMBERS, EXECUTIVES AND ASSOCIATED  
PERSONS AS REPORTED TO NOVO NORDISK ON 9 MAY 2006

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

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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.

NAME	MADS KROGSGAARD THOMSEN
REASON FOR REPORTING	CHIEF SCIENCE OFFICER
FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT AND ID CODE	NOVO NORDISK B SHARES DK 001028081
TYPE OF TRANSACTION	EXERCISE OF OPTIONS (PURCHASE OF SHARES)
DATE OF TRANSACTION	9 MAY 2006
PLACE OF TRANSACTION	COPENHAGEN STOCK EXCHANGE
VOLUME OF TRANSACTION	20,000 SHARES
TOTAL VALUE OF TRANSACTION	DKK 3,960,000

NAME	MADS KROGSGAARD THOMSEN
REASON FOR REPORTING	CHIEF SCIENCE OFFICER
FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT AND ID CODE	NOVO NORDISK B SHARES DK ID CODE 001028081
TYPE OF TRANSACTION	SALE OF SHARES
DATE OF TRANSACTION	9 MAY 2006
PLACE OF TRANSACTION	COPENHAGEN STOCK EXCHANGE
VOLUME OF TRANSACTION	20,000 SHARES
TOTAL VALUE OF TRANSACTION	DKK 7,882,200

### 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 Copenhagen Stock Exchange and London Stock Exchange as well as 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 DK001028081) of the Novo Nordisk share on the Copenhagen Stock Exchange, the code (NVOB) on London Stock Exchange or the code (NVO) on New York Stock Exchange.



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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 10 2006

NOVO NORDISK A/S

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Lars Rebien Sorensen,  
President and Chief Executive Officer