



press release

Novo Nordisk Canada secures place on Canada's Top 100 Employer listing

Mississauga-based Top 100 Employer proud to celebrate, share unique Danish-Canadian culture focused on health, engagement, sustainability and driving change for the benefit of patients

MISSISSAUGA, ON, November 9, 2015 /CNW/ - Novo Nordisk Canada is pleased to be included in the "Canada's Top 100 Employers" listing for 2016 as announced in a special magazine co-published in the national edition of The Globe and Mail this morning. To view the listing for Novo Nordisk, and the editors' detailed reasons for selections, please visit <http://www.eluta.ca/top-employer-novonordisk>

"On behalf of all employees at Novo Nordisk Canada, we're extremely proud to achieve recognition as one of Canada's Top 100 Employers," said Brian Hilberdink, President, Novo Nordisk Canada Inc. "Our company culture is built upon engagement, innovation and a shared vision to make a significant difference in the field of diabetes and other serious chronic diseases. This is a mission that started for Novo Nordisk globally when our Danish founders came to Toronto more than 90 years ago to meet Sir Frederick Banting and to learn more about the discovery of insulin. We've grown from those humble beginnings to become the world's largest biotechnology company by continually focusing on understanding and creating value for patients."

Novo Nordisk has a corporate culture that helps employees to excel in their area of expertise, a culture where they have the freedom to manage their careers. By treating employees with respect, Novo Nordisk Canada has been able to cultivate and maintain a healthy and engaging workplace over the past 30 years.

"Even during times of unprecedented growth our unique culture of collaboration and caring still holds true," said Marie Percival, Director, People and Corporate Relations. "I hear many employees tell me it's the passion, energy and commitment to serve patients, and the wonderful colleagues they work with, that gives a special quality to our culture. We're united in our efforts to support one another and make a difference – across departments, across very different specialty areas – we keep the patient at the centre of every decision, every program."

About Novo Nordisk Canada

Novo Nordisk Canada is an affiliate of Novo Nordisk A/S, a global healthcare company with more than 90 years of innovation and leadership in diabetes care. This heritage has given us experience and capabilities that also enable us to help

people defeat other serious chronic conditions: hemophilia, growth disorders and obesity. Headquartered in Denmark, Novo Nordisk employs approximately 40,300 employees in 75 countries, and markets its products in more than 180 countries.

Novo Nordisk's company history has deep Canadian roots, with company founders Marie and August Krogh traveling to Toronto in 1922 to meet with Banting, Best, Collip and MacLeod to discuss the insulin preparation. Novo Nordisk would become the first company in Europe to produce insulin in 1923.

Novo Nordisk Canada employs approximately 280 people at its head office in Mississauga and across Canada. The company is listed as one of Canada's Top 100 Employers for 2016 and has also been awarded the distinction of being a Top GTA Employer since 2008. For more information, visit www.novonordisk.ca or follow us on Twitter [@NovoNordiskCA](https://twitter.com/NovoNordiskCA).

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[photo: Novo Nordisk Canada employees celebrate their awareness raising and fundraising efforts in support of type 1 diabetes research at the 2015 JDRF Ride for Diabetes Research in Mississauga, September 2015.]

