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Per Falholt is Executive Vice President and CSO for Research & Development.

Per Falholt joined Novo A/S in 1984 as a research chemist in the Enzyme R&D pilot plant. He has subsequently held a number of managerial positions within development of new products for the detergent industry until he joined the newly formed Enzyme Development & Applications division in 1995 as Director for Application Technology. In 1997 he moved to Raleigh, USA, to take responsibility for the America application technology unit.

In 1999 he was called back to Denmark to take over the position of Corporate Vice President with responsibility for Enzyme Development & Application, and in May 2000 he was appointed Corporate Vice President of the newly formed Enzyme Business R&D. In connection with the demerger of Novozymes from Novo Nordisk he was given the title of Executive Vice President for R&D.

Prior to joining Novo Nordisk, Per Falholt worked at the Technical University of Denmark (DTU), where he took his MSc in chemical engineering in 1983. Per feels a deep commitment to education within chemistry and biotech, and his eye for talent earned him his honorary professor title at The Institute for Systems Biology at DTU in June 2010.

Per Falholt is currently a Board member for the DHI group (since May 2011) and for ARTs Biologics A/S. He is Chairman for the Young Scientists association in Denmark, a member of The Danish Council for Research Policy, and is an external lecturer at IMD, Lausanne, for Executive MBA.