

Filing of the 2010 U.S. Form 20-F and French "*Document de Référence*" containing the Annual Financial Report

Paris, France – March 1, 2011 - Sanofi-aventis (EURONEXT: SAN and NYSE: SNY) announces today the filing of its Form 20-F with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and its "*Document de Référence*" containing its Annual Financial Report with the French market regulator *Autorité des marchés financiers* (AMF).

These documents are available on the "Investors" page of the company's corporate website (www.sanofi-aventis.com), under the heading "Regulated Information in France". In addition, the Form 20-F is available on the website of the SEC (www.sec.gov) and the "*Document de Référence*" is available on the website of the AMF (www.amf-france.org). Shareholders may receive a hard copy of these documents, each of which contains our complete audited financial statements, free of charge, upon request.

About sanofi-aventis

Sanofi-aventis, a leading global pharmaceutical company, discovers, develops and distributes therapeutic solutions to improve the lives of everyone. Sanofi-aventis is listed in Paris (EURONEXT : SAN) and in New York (NYSE : SNY). For more information, visit: www.sanofi-aventis.com.