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SANOFI-AVENTIS  
Form 6-K  
December 16, 2004

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

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FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER  
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16  
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

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For the month of December 2004

Commission File Number: 001-31368

SANOFI-AVENTIS  
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

174, avenue de France, 75013 Paris, FRANCE  
(Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes  [ ]

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On December 15, 2004, Sanofi-Aventis (formerly known as Sanofi-Synthelabo) announced the following financial calendar:

SANOFI-AVENTIS FIRST HALF 2005 FINANCIAL CALENDAR

JANUARY 26, 2005 - sanofi-aventis' Fourth Quarter and Full-Year 2004 Sales release.

MARCH 1, 2005 - sanofi-aventis' 2004 Full-Year Results. Analyst / Investor

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meeting in Paris.

MARCH 21, 2005 - Analyst / Investor Meeting in New York.

MAY 13, 2005 - sanofi-aventis' 2005 Quarter first sales and earnings release.

The financial calendar for the rest of the year will be communicated subsequently.

All above will be broadcast live at [www.sanofi-aventis.com](http://www.sanofi-aventis.com).

### 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 by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: December 16, 2004

SANOFI-AVENTIS

By: /s/ Jean-Claude Leroy

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Name: Jean-Claude Leroy  
Title: Senior Vice President &  
Chief Financial Officer