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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### FORM 8-A

# FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(B) OR (G) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

## **SANOFI-AVENTIS**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

France (State of incorporation or organization)

 $133529324 \\ \hbox{(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)}$ 

174, avenue de France

75013 Paris, France

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

#### Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class

Name of each exchange on which

to be so registered Contingent Value Rights each class is to be registered NASDAQ Global Market

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General instruction A.(c), check the following box. x

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(d), check the following box.

Securities Act registration statement file number to which this form relates: 333-172638

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

#### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN REGISTRATION STATEMENT

#### Item 1. Description of Registrant s Securities to be Registered.

For a description of the securities to be registered hereunder, reference is made to the information set forth under the heading Description of the CVRs in the Registrant's prospectus, which constitutes a part of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form F-4 (Registration No. 333-172638), originally filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 7, 2011, as amended by any amendments to such Registration Statement, and by any prospectus subsequently filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, which description is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 2. Exhibits.

Under the Instructions as to Exhibits with respect to Form 8-A, no exhibits are required to be filed because no other securities of the Registrant are registered on the Nasdaq Global Market and the securities registered hereby are not being registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act.

#### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

#### SANOFI-AVENTIS

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Karen Linehan Name: Karen Linehan

Title: Senior Vice President Legal Affairs and

General Counsel

Date: March 28, 2011