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SANOFI-AVENTIS Form 6-K July 31, 2006 UNITED STATES				
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION				
Washington, D.C. 20549				
FORM 6-K				
REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER				
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16				
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934				
For the month of July 2006				
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)				
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.				
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Yes o No x

If []Yes[] marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82-____

On July 28 2006, sanofi-aventis issued the press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 which is incorporated herein by reference. In connection with the investigation referred to in the attached release, sanofi-aventis has received grand jury subpoenas seeking the production of documents. Sanofi-aventis intends to provide all information required in response to this investigation.

Exhibit List

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Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated July 28, 2006: Plavix® litigation settlement fails to receive antitrust clearance from state attorneys

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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: July 31, 2006 SANOFI-AVENTIS

By: /s/ Patricia Kodyra
Name: Patricia Kodyra

Title: Associate Vice President Financial and Securities Law

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