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The transfer of all commercial rights for Panaldine®

Tokyo, April 2, 2007 — DAIICHI SANKYO COMPANY, LIMITED and Sanofi-aventis announced today the transfer of all commercial rights for Panaldine® (ticlopidine hydrochloride) in Japan from DAIICHI SANKYO to Sanofi-aventis. The transfer will be implemented in conformity with local regulatory requirements and such transfer is expected to occur on October 1, 2007. Given their long-standing relationship, both parties agreed to collaborate in the future in the areas of manufacturing and distribution in Japan.