Announcement for partnership termination of sales and information provision of lyophilized hemophilus influenza type b vaccine “ActHIB®” in Japan

Sanofi K.K. (Head Office: Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo; President: Jacques Nathan; hereafter “Sanofi”) and Daiichi Sankyo Company, Limited (Head Office: Chuo-ku Tokyo; President: Sunao Manabe; hereafter, Daiichi Sankyo) announced today that the partnership agreement for sales and information provision activities for the lyophilized hemophilus influenza vaccine type b “ActHIB®” will be terminated by the end of December 2018.

“ActHIB®” was developed and manufactured by Sanofi Pasteur in France, and Sanofi has had manufacturing and sales approval in Japan since January 2007. Under the partnership agreement between Sanofi and Daiichi Sankyo, Daiichi Sankyo has engaged in sales and information provision activities of “ActHIB®” since December 2008. Based on the agreement, both companies have contributed to improve public health in Japan; however, due to the expiration of the distribution and co-promotion agreement of “ActHIB®,” Sanofi and Daiichi Sankyo have agreed to terminate the partnership as of the end of December 2018.

From January 1, 2019, Sanofi will solely engage in sales and information provision activities of “ActHIB®.” Daiichi Sankyo will continue the distribution of “ActHIB®” until the end of December, 2019, and Sanofi will take it over from January 1, 2020. Both companies will cooperate to smoothly complete the transition.

In addition to improving public health in Japan through the supply of pharmaceuticals, including vaccines, both companies will continue to contribute to the prevention and treatment of diseases as well as to the improvement of public health.
About Sanofi
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With more than 100,000 people in 100 countries, Sanofi is transforming scientific innovation into healthcare solutions around the globe.
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