



Press Release from ORGANO BALANCE GmbH, Berlin, Germany

## **ORGANO BALANCE Signs Licensing Agreement with Sanofi Pasteur**

### **Modified strain of yeast paves way for new industrial vaccine production process**

Berlin, 11 January 2012 – The company ORGANO BALANCE GmbH, Berlin, Germany, today announced the conclusion of a licensing agreement with Sanofi Pasteur, the vaccines division of Sanofi (EURONEXT: SAN and NYSE: SNY). This will provide Sanofi Pasteur with access to a modified yeast strain (*Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, more commonly known as baker's yeast) for use in vaccines. By signing the agreement, ORGANO BALANCE is granting Sanofi Pasteur exclusive rights to use of the modified yeast strain in the production of vaccines.

Prof. Christine Lang, Managing Director of ORGANO BALANCE GmbH, sees the licensing agreement as a further milestone for the company: *"The modified form of Saccharomyces cerevisiae, both developed and patented by our company, is just one example of the far-reaching expertise ORGANO BALANCE has to offer in the field of metabolic engineering. By making this agreement, we are strengthening our outstanding position in microbial strain development and the application of yeasts in industrial biotechnology. We are delighted to have made this agreement with Sanofi Pasteur, a partner who will make commercial use of our research findings on an industrial scale."*

#### **About ORGANO BALANCE:**

ORGANO BALANCE GmbH is a company specialising in microbiological strain development. ORGANO BALANCE targets the use of *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* yeast strains for synthesising materials which can be applied in the processes of industrial and pharmaceutical biotechnology. The company also focuses on tapping the potential of beneficial microorganisms, known as specific probiotic cultures, in order to balance out the microflora and restore the microbial equilibrium in a natural way. By drawing on its own collection of microorganisms suitable for use in foodstuffs, as well as its own OASSYS® screening systems, ORGANO BALANCE develops new biological products in the areas of pharmaceuticals, preventive healthcare, nutrition and cosmetics. ORGANO BALANCE was founded in 2001 and is based in Berlin, Germany. More information can be found at <http://www.organobalance.com>.



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