



## UCB launches offering of 7-year bonds

**Brussels, Belgium, 3 December 2009** - UCB SA ("UCB" or the "Company") announces today that it is about to start the offering (the "Offering") of EUR 500 million senior unsecured bonds, due 2016 (the "Bonds").

The Bonds will be placed through an accelerated book building placement with institutional investors in Europe. The transaction is conducted by ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (to be renamed The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. in due course), Bank of America Merrill Lynch, Calyon, Commerzbank, ING Bank and Mizuho Corporate Bank, acting as Joint Bookrunners for the Offering. BNP Paribas Fortis and Santander will act as Co-Managers for the Offering.

The Bonds will mature on the 7th anniversary of their issue, in 2016. The bonds are expected to be listed on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange.

More details on the Offering will follow in due time.

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### ***About UCB***

*UCB, Brussels, Belgium ([www.ucb.com](http://www.ucb.com)) is a biopharmaceutical company dedicated to the research, development and commercialization of innovative medicines with a focus on the fields of central nervous system and immunology disorders. Employing approximately 10 000 people in over 40 countries, UCB generated revenue of 3.6 billion euro in 2008. UCB is listed on Euronext Brussels (symbol: UCB).*

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