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Form 6-K
March 23, 2004

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 March 2004

Commission File Number: 001-31368

SANOFI-SYNTHELABO
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

174, avenue de France, 75013 Paris, FRANCE
(Address of principal executive offices)

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EXHIBIT LIST

| Exhibit No. ----- | Description ----- |
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| Exhibit 99.1 | Consolidated financial statements of Sanofi-Synthelabo S.A. for the year ended December 31, 2003 |
| Exhibit 99.2 | Management Discussion of Operating and Financial Review and Prospects |

SIGNATURES

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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: March 22, 2004

SANOFI-SYNTHELABO

By: /s/ Marie-Helene Laimay

Name: Marie-Helene Laimay
Title: Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer