

Acquisition of own shares

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In application of art. 207 of the Royal Decree executing the Company Code, UCB SA/NV announces that, it has, with trade date 5 March 2013 as an execution of a discretionary mandate, sold 140,000 UCB share options, previously purchased in June 2011, to a bank counterparty with strikes and maturity dates as follows :

- 35,000 options maturing 20 May 2016 with strike € 28
- 35,000 options maturing 20 May 2016 with strike € 30
- 35,000 options maturing 20 May 2016 with strike € 32
- 35,000 options maturing 20 May 2016 with strike € 34

In a related transaction, UCB SA has purchased from the same counterparty 140,000 UCB shares at a price of € 47.99 per share. This share price is within the high (€ 48.37) and low (€ 46.75) of the trading range of 5 March 2013.

After these transactions UCB SA is the owner of 794,106 UCB shares and 2,500,000 assimilates securities which together represent 1.80% of the total (183,417,352) shares issued by the company.

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About UCB

UCB, Brussels, Belgium (www.ucb.com) is a global biopharmaceutical company focused on the discovery and development of innovative medicines and solutions to transform the lives of people living with severe diseases of the immune system or of the central nervous system. With 9000 people in approximately 40 countries, the company generated revenue of EUR 3.4 billion in 2012. UCB is listed on Euronext Brussels (symbol: UCB).

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Moreover, sales may be impacted by international and domestic trends toward managed care and health care cost containment and the reimbursement policies imposed by third-party payers as well as legislation affecting biopharmaceutical pricing and reimbursement.