

## Sunesis Pharmaceuticals Announces Presentations at ASH Annual Meeting

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Nov. 03, 2016 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Sunesis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq:SNSS) today announced an oral and a poster presentation at the 58th American Society of Hematology Annual Meeting to be held December 3-6 in San Diego, California.

The details for the oral presentation are as follows:

**Date and Time:** Monday, December 5, 2016 at 3:15 p.m. Pacific Time

**Abstract Title:** Durable Overall Survival Benefit in Patients  $\geq$  60 Years with Relapsed or Refractory AML Treated with Vosaroxin/Cytarabine Vs Placebo/Cytarabine: Updated Results from the Valor Trial

**Session Number:** 616

**Session Name:** Acute Myeloid Leukemia: Novel Therapy, excluding Transplantation: Clinical trials of Novel Drugs and Combinations in AML

**Publication Number:** 903

**Location:** Marriott Marquis San Diego Marina, San Diego Ballroom AB

The full abstract can be viewed [here](#).

The details for the poster presentations are as follows:

**Date and Time:** Saturday, December 3, 2016, 5:30 PM-7:30 PM

**Abstract Title:** First-in-Human Phase 1a Study of the Safety, Pharmacokinetics, and Pharmacodynamics of the Noncovalent Bruton Tyrosine Kinase (BTK) Inhibitor SNS-062 in Healthy Subjects

**Session Number:** 642

**Session Name:** CLL: Therapy, excluding Transplantation: Poster I

**Publication Number:** 2032

**Location:** San Diego Convention Center, Hall GH

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### About Sunesis Pharmaceuticals

Sunesis is a biopharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of new oncology therapeutics for the potential treatment of solid and hematologic cancers. Sunesis has built a highly experienced cancer drug development organization committed to improving the lives of people with cancer. Currently, the company is focused on pursuing regulatory approval in Europe for its lead product candidate, vosaroxin, for the treatment of relapsed or refractory acute myeloid leukemia in patients aged 60 and older, as well as advancing its novel kinase-inhibitor pipeline, which includes its proprietary non-covalent BTK-inhibitor, SNS-062.

For additional information on Sunesis, please visit <http://www.sunesis.com>.

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*result of these risks and uncertainties, which include, without limitation, the risk that Sunesis may not be able to receive regulatory approval of vosaroxin in the U.S. or Europe, that Sunesis' development activities for vosaroxin could be otherwise halted or significantly delayed for various reasons, risks related to Sunesis' need for substantial additional funding to complete the development and commercialization of vosaroxin and other product candidates, the risk that Sunesis' clinical studies for SNS-062, vosaroxin or other product candidates, including its pipeline of kinase inhibitors, may not demonstrate safety or efficacy or lead to regulatory approval, the risk that data to date and trends may not be predictive of future data or results, risks related to the conduct of Sunesis' clinical trials, and risks related to Sunesis' ability to raise the capital that it believes to be accessible and is required to fully finance the development and commercialization of vosaroxin and other product candidates. These and other risk factors are discussed under "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in Sunesis' Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, Sunesis' Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2016, and Sunesis' other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Sunesis expressly disclaims any obligation or undertaking to release publicly any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statements contained herein to reflect any change in Sunesis' expectations with regard thereto or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statements are based.*

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