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### **Sunesis to Present at the Lazard Capital Markets 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Healthcare Conference**

**SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., (November 8, 2011)** – Sunesis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (NASDAQ: SNSS) a biopharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of new oncology therapeutics for the treatment of solid and hematologic cancers, today announced that Daniel Swisher, Chief Executive Officer of Sunesis, will be presenting at the upcoming Lazard Capital Markets 8th Annual Healthcare Conference on Tuesday, November 15, 2011 at 10:30 A.M. Eastern Time at The Pierre Hotel in New York City.

A live webcast of the presentation will be available on the Sunesis website at <http://ir.sunesis.com>. A replay of the webcast will be archived on the "Calendar of Events" page in the Investors and Media section of the Sunesis website for two weeks following the presentation.

#### **About Sunesis Pharmaceuticals**

Sunesis is a biopharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of new oncology therapeutics for the treatment of solid and hematologic cancers. Sunesis has built a highly-experienced cancer drug development organization committed to advancing its lead product candidate, vosaroxin, in multiple indications to improve the lives of people with cancer. For additional information on Sunesis, please visit [www.sunesis.com](http://www.sunesis.com).

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