

Sunesis to Present at Upcoming Conferences

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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 the company will be presenting at the following upcoming conferences during the month of December:

Piper Jaffray 20th Annual Health Care Conference

The New York Palace Hotel, New York

Tuesday, December 2, 2008

2:00 p.m. ET

RBC Capital Markets Healthcare Conference

The Westin Times Square, New York

Wednesday, December 10, 2008

1:30 p.m. ET

The live webcast of these presentations 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.

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, voreloxin, in multiple indications to improve the lives of people with cancer. For additional information on Sunesis Pharmaceuticals, please visit <http://www.sunesis.com>.

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