

## Sunesis Pharmaceuticals to Present at the Rodman & Renshaw 5th Annual Global Healthcare Conference

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., May 13, 2008 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Sunesis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq: SNSS) today announced that Eric Bjerkholt, Sunesis' Senior Vice President, Corporate Development and Finance, will provide a corporate update at the upcoming Rodman & Renshaw 5th Annual Global Healthcare Conference at 9:00 a.m. local time on Monday, May 19, 2008 at the Le Meridien Beach Plaza Hotel in Monte Carlo, Monaco.

Interested parties may access a webcast of the presentation by visiting 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 clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on the discovery, development and commercialization of novel small molecule therapeutics for oncology and other serious diseases. Sunesis has built a broad product candidate portfolio through internal discovery and in-licensing of novel cancer therapeutics. Sunesis is advancing its product candidates through in-house research and development efforts and strategic collaborations with leading pharmaceutical and biopharmaceutical companies. For further information on Sunesis Pharmaceuticals, please visit <http://www.sunesis.com>.

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