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DURECT to Participate in Cowen Annual Healthcare Conference

CUPERTINO, Calif., March 11 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ — DURECT Corporation (Nasdaq: DRRX) announced today that James Brown, President and Chief Executive Officer, will be presenting at the Cowen and Company 28th Annual Healthcare Conference on March 17, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. EST. The conference is being held at the Marriott Hotel in Boston.

(Logo: http://www.newscom.com/cgi-bin/prnh/20020717/DRRXLOGO)

A live audio webcast of the presentation will be available by accessing DURECT's homepage at http://www.www.durect.com and clicking "Investor Relations." If you are unable to participate during the live webcast, the call will be archived on DURECT's website under Audio Archive in the "Investor Relations" section.

About DURECT Corporation

DURECT Corporation is an emerging specialty pharmaceutical company developing pharmaceutical systems based on its proprietary drug delivery platform technologies. The Company currently has a number of late-stage pharmaceutical products in development addressing large markets in pain management, with a number of research programs underway targeting chronic disease and other therapeutic areas. For more information, please visit http://www.www.durect.com.

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