

DURECT to Present at the BMO Capital Markets Focus on Healthcare Conference

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DURECT Corporation (Nasdaq: DRRX) announced today that Matthew J. Hogan, Chief Financial Officer, will be presenting at the BMO Capital Markets 10th Annual Focus on Healthcare Conference on Thursday, August 5 at 1:45 p.m. Eastern Time. The conference is being held at the Sheraton New York Hotel.

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A live audio webcast of the presentation will be available by accessing: http://www.bmocm.com/conferences/2010healthcare/webcast

About DURECT Corporation

DURECT is an emerging specialty pharmaceutical company developing innovative drugs for pain and other chronic diseases, with late-stage development programs including REMOXY(R), POSIDUR(TM), ELADUR(TM), and TRANSDUR(TM)-Sufentanil. DURECT's proprietary oral, transdermal and injectable depot delivery technologies enable new indications and superior clinical/commercial attributes such as abuse deterrence, improved convenience, compliance, efficacy and safety for small molecule and biologic drugs. For more information, please visit www.www.durect.com.

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