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Satsuma Pharmaceuticals Appoints Rob Janosky as Chief Commercial Officer

South San Francisco, CA, March 5, 2020 – Satsuma Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq: STSA), a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company, today announced the appointment of Rob Janosky to the newly created position of Chief Commercial Officer. As Satsuma's Chief Commercial Officer, Mr. Janosky will be responsible for all commercial activities, as well as leading business development and corporate partnering.

Mr. Janosky brings to Satsuma a wealth of commercial experience within the biopharmaceutical industry spanning more than twenty-five years, including business development, marketing, sales, brand development, new product planning, and product launch leadership roles in orphan, specialty, and primary care markets. During the past fifteen years, Mr. Janosky's career has focused on successfully creating partnerships, building commercialization capabilities, and launching products within emerging companies, including Durect, Vivus, Inc. and Jazz Pharmaceuticals plc, where he was responsible for re-launching Xyrem®, the company's blockbuster CNS specialty product.

"I am delighted to join Satsuma. I look forward to working with its dedicated management team to help bring its innovative therapeutic product, STS101, to patients with migraine and make the well-established therapeutic benefits of dihydroergotamine (or DHE) broadly accessible to patients," commented Mr. Janosky.

"Rob's skills and substantial experience further increase the depth of our seasoned leadership team. His experience will be valuable as we prepare for the successful commercialization of STS101 and continue to grow our company," added John Kollins, Satsuma's President and CEO.

About Satsuma Pharmaceuticals and STS101

Satsuma Pharmaceuticals is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company developing a novel therapeutic product for the acute treatment of migraine, STS101. STS101 is an investigational drug-device combination of a proprietary dry-powder formulation of dihydroergotamine mesylate (DHE), which can be quickly and easily self-administered with a proprietary pre-filled, single-use, nasal delivery device. In developing STS101, Satsuma has applied proprietary nasal drug delivery, dry-powder formulation, and engineered drug particle technologies to create a compact, simple-to-use, non-injectable DHE product that can be rapidly self-administered in a matter of seconds. The Company believes STS101 would, if approved, be an attractive migraine treatment option for many patients and may enable a larger number of people with migraine to realize the long-recognized therapeutic benefits of DHE therapy. STS101 has undergone extensive pre-clinical development, recently completed a Phase 1 clinical trial, and is currently in Phase 3 development.

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Satsuma is headquartered in South San Francisco, California with operations in both California and Research Triangle Park, North Carolina. For further information, please visit www.satsumarx.com.

Cautionary Note on Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements concerning the business, operations and financial performance and condition of Satsuma Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Company"), as well as the Company's plans, objectives and expectations for its business operations and financial performance and condition. Any statements contained herein that are not statements of historical facts may be deemed to be forward-looking statements. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as "aim," "anticipate," "assume," "believe," "contemplate," "continue," "could," "due," "estimate," "expect," "goal," "intend," "may," "objective," "plan," "predict," "potential," "positioned," "seek," "should," "target," "will," "would," and other similar expressions that are predictions of or indicate future events and future trends, or the negative of these terms or other comparable terminology. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements about the Company's expectations regarding the potential safety and efficacy of STS101. The Company's actual results could differ materially from those stated or implied in forward-looking statements due to a number of factors, including but not limited to, risks detailed in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2019, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as well as other documents that may be filed by the Company from time to time. In particular, the following factors, among others, could cause results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements: the Company's ability to demonstrate sufficient evidence of efficacy and safety in its clinical trials of STS101. Although the Company believes that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, it cannot guarantee that the events and circumstances reflected in the forward-looking statements will be achieved or occur, and the timing of events and circumstances and actual results could differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements. Accordingly, you should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. All such statements speak only as of the date made, and the Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise publicly any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

This press release discusses STS101, a product candidate that is in clinical development, and which has not yet been approved for marketing by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. No representation is made as to the safety or effectiveness of STS101 for the therapeutic use for which STS101 is being studied.

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