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South San Francisco, CA, March 2, 2006 - Cytokinetics, Incorporated (Nasdaq: CYTK) announced today that Robert Blum, President, is scheduled to present a corporate update at the Lehman Brothers Ninth Annual Global Healthcare Conference. The presentation is scheduled to occur on Thursday, March 9, 2006 at 8:00 am in Poinciana 4 Room at the Lowes Miami Beach Hotel in South Beach, FL. Interested parties may access the live audio webcast of the presentation and replay it by visiting the Cytokinetics website at www.cytokinetics.com. The webcast replay of the presentation will be archived on the Audio Presentations page in the Investors Center section of Cytokinetics' website until March 16, 2006.

## **About Cytokinetics**

Cytokinetics is a leading biopharmaceutical company focused on the discovery, development and commercialization of novel small molecule drugs that specifically target the cytoskeleton. The cytoskeleton is a complex biological infrastructure that plays a fundamental role within every human cell. Cytokinetics' focus on the cytoskeleton enables it to develop novel and potentially safer and more effective classes of drugs directed at treatments for cancer, cardiovascular disease and other diseases. Cytokinetics has developed a cell biology driven approach and proprietary technologies to evaluate the function of many interacting proteins in the complex environment of the intact human cell. Cytokinetics employs the PUMA™ system and Cytometrix™ technologies to enable early identification and automated prioritization of compounds that are highly selective for their intended protein targets without other cellular effects, and may therefore be less likely to give rise to clinical side effects. Cytokinetics and GlaxoSmithKline (GSK) have entered into a strategic alliance to discover, develop and commercialize small molecule therapeutics targeting human mitotic kinesins for applications in the treatment of cancer and other diseases. GSK is conducting Phase II and Ib clinical trials for ispinesib (SB-715992) and a Phase I clinical trial for SB-743921. Ispinesib, SB-743921 and GSK-923295 are being developed under the strategic alliance with GSK. Cytokinetics' unpartnered heart failure program is the second program to leverage the company's expertise in cytoskeletal pharmacology. Cytokinetics recently initiated a Phase I clinical trial with CK-1827452, a novel small molecule cardiac myosin activator, for the treatment of heart failure and also selected CK-1827452 as a potential drug candidate for the treatment of chronic heart failure via oral administration. Additional information about Cytokinetics can be obtained at www.cytokinetics.com.

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