



FOR RELEASE
November 29, 2005

Contacts: Rob Stewart
Investor Relations
Tel (949) 480-8300
Fax (949) 480-8301
Email: rs@acaciares.com

ACACIA TECHNOLOGIES ACQUIRES RIGHTS TO PATENTS FOR ARCHIVING AND TRANSMITTING MEDICAL IMAGES

Newport Beach, CA. – (BUSINESS WIRE) November 29, 2005 – Acacia Research Corporation (Nasdaq: ACTG: CBMX) announced today that Acacia Patent Acquisition Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary that is part of the Acacia Technologies group, a leader in technology licensing, has acquired rights to patents relating to Picture Archiving and Communications Systems (PACS) used in archiving and transmitting medical images.

“Acacia’s revenue growth in 2005 is primarily being driven by new licensing programs for patented technologies that we acquired this year,” commented Paul Ryan, Chairman and CEO of Acacia. “The PACS technology is the 32nd patented technology that we have acquired this year. We plan to continue acquiring new patent portfolios as we move more toward our goal of becoming the leader in technology licensing,” concluded Mr. Ryan.

PACS enable multiple, remote users to simultaneously access image data from remote display terminals over common phone and data networks, such as the Internet. PACS are commonly used by hospitals to acquire, store, archive and transmit patient image data for remote access by their physicians, at their homes, offices or within the hospital at the point of care.

ABOUT ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION

Acacia Research Corporation comprises two operating groups, Acacia Technologies group and CombiMatrix group.

The Acacia Technologies group develops, acquires, and licenses patented technologies. Acacia controls 34 patent portfolios, which include over 130 U.S. patents, and certain foreign counterparts, covering technologies used in a wide variety of industries including audio/video enhancement & synchronization, broadcast data retrieval, computer memory cache coherency, credit card fraud protection, database management, data encryption & product activation, digital media transmission (DMT®), digital video production, dynamic manufacturing modeling, enhanced Internet navigation, hearing aid ECS, image resolution enhancement, interactive data sharing, interactive television, interstitial Internet advertising, laptop docking station connectivity, microprocessor enhancement, multi-dimensional bar codes, network data storage, resource scheduling, rotational video imaging and spreadsheet automation.

The CombiMatrix group is developing a platform technology to rapidly produce customizable arrays, which are semiconductor-based tools for use in identifying and determining the roles of genes, gene mutations and proteins. The CombiMatrix's group's technology has a wide range of potential applications in the areas of genomics,

proteomics, biosensors, drug discovery, drug development, diagnostics, combinatorial chemistry, material sciences and nanotechnology.

Acacia Research-Acacia Technologies (Nasdaq: ACTG) and Acacia Research-CombiMatrix (Nasdaq: CBMX) are both classes of common stock issued by Acacia Research Corporation and are intended to reflect the performance of the respective operating groups and are not issued by the operating groups.

Information about the Acacia Technologies group and the CombiMatrix group is available at www.acaciaresearch.com.

Safe Harbor Statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995:

This news release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the "safe harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements are based upon our current expectations and speak only as of the date hereof. Our actual results may differ materially and adversely from those expressed in any forward-looking statements as a result of various factors and uncertainties, including the recent economic slowdown affecting technology companies, our ability to successfully develop products, rapid technological change in our markets, changes in demand for our future products, legislative, regulatory and competitive developments and general economic conditions. Our Annual Report on Form 10-K, recent and forthcoming Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, recent Current Reports on Forms 8-K and 8-K/A, and other SEC filings discuss some of the important risk factors that may affect our business, results of operations and financial condition. We undertake no obligation to revise or update publicly any forward-looking statements for any reason.