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**Acacia Research to Release First Quarter
Financial Results and Host Conference Call**

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. – (BUSINESS WIRE) – April 12, 2012 – Acacia Research Corporation (Nasdaq: ACTG) announced today it will release its first quarter financial results on Thursday, April 19, 2012. Results will be released at 1:00 PM Pacific Time (4:00 PM Eastern).

A conference call is scheduled for the same day.

The Acacia Research presentation and Q&A will start at 1:30 p.m. Pacific Time (4:30 p.m. Eastern).

To listen to the presentation by phone, dial (888) 646-0797 for domestic callers and (706) 758-6764 for international callers, both of whom will need to enter the conference ID 66125760 when prompted. A replay of the audio presentation will be available for 30 days at (855) 859-2056 for domestic callers and (404) 537-3406 for international callers, both of whom will need to enter the Conference ID 66125760 when prompted.

The call is being webcast by CCBN and can be accessed at Acacia's website at www.acaciaresearch.com.

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Acacia Research Corporation's subsidiaries partner with inventors and patent owners, license the patents to corporate users, and share the revenue. Acacia Research Corporation's subsidiaries control over 200 patent portfolios, covering technologies used in a wide variety of industries.

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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.