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**ACACIA SUBSIDIARY ACQUIRES RIGHTS TO 31 US PATENTS FOR
MOBILE COMPUTER SYNCHRONIZATION TECHNOLOGY**

Newport Beach, CA. – (BUSINESS WIRE) October 8, 2009 – Acacia Research Corporation (Nasdaq:ACTG) announced today that its subsidiary, Acacia Patent Acquisition LLC, has acquired rights to a patent portfolio comprising 31 US patents and associated US patent applications and foreign counterparts. The majority of the patents in the portfolio were issued to a major electronics company.

“Five of Acacia’s last nine portfolio acquisitions primarily consist of patents issued to major technology companies,” commented Paul Ryan, Acacia Chairman and CEO. “Acacia’s success as a leader in patent licensing is increasing our opportunities to partner with large companies,” concluded Mr. Ryan.

The patent portfolio includes patents relating to the synchronization of data between mobile and fixed computer systems. This technology may be used to keep email, contacts, calendar information and other data synchronized between mobile devices (such as PDA’s and smart phones) and servers or desktop computers.

ABOUT ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION

Acacia Research’s subsidiaries develop, acquire, and license patented technologies. Acacia Research’s subsidiaries control over 125 patent portfolios, covering technologies used in a wide variety of industries.

Information about Acacia Research is available at www.acaciatechnologies.com and 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, the ability to successfully develop licensing programs and attract new

business, rapid technological change in relevant markets, changes in demand for current and future intellectual property rights, legislative, regulatory and competitive developments addressing licensing and enforcement of patents and/or intellectual property in general, 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.