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Acacia Research Ranked Number 4 In Deloitte's Technology Fast 50 For Orange County

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. – (BUSINESS WIRE) – October 29, 2008 – Acacia Research Corporation (Nasdaq: ACTG) has been named to Deloitte's prestigious Technology Fast 50 program for Orange County, a ranking of the 50 fastest growing technology, media, telecommunications, and life sciences companies in the area. Rankings are based on the percentage revenue growth over five years from 2003 – 2007.

Acacia Research's increase in revenues from \$692,000 in 2003 to \$52,597,000 in 2007 resulted in a number 4 ranking in the Technology Fast 50 for Orange County based on a 5-year growth in revenues of 7,500%.

To qualify for the Technology Fast 50, companies must have had operating revenues of at least \$50,000 in 2003 and \$5,000,000 in 2007, be headquartered in North America, and be a company that owns proprietary technology or proprietary intellectual property that contributes to a significant portion of the company's operating revenues; or devotes a significant portion of revenues to the research and development of technology. Using other companies' technology or intellectual property in a unique way does not qualify.

Companies from the regional Technology Fast 50 programs in the United States and Canada are automatically entered in Deloitte's Technology Fast 500 program, which ranks North America's top 500 fastest growing technology, media, telecommunications and life sciences companies. For more information on Deloitte's Technology Fast 50 or Technology Fast 500 programs, visit <http://www.fast500.com>.

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Acacia Research's subsidiaries develop, acquire, and license patented technologies. Acacia Research's subsidiaries control 99 patent portfolios, which include U.S. patents and certain foreign counterparts, covering technologies used in a wide variety of industries.

Information about Acacia Research is available at www.acaciatechnologies.com and www.acaciaresearch.com.

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