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Advanced Chemistry Development, Inc., Provides Sophisticated Chemical Data Management with ACD/ChemFolder Version 8.0

Toronto, Canada, March 29, 2004 - Advanced Chemistry Development, Inc., (ACD/Labs), announces the version 8.0 release of ACD/ChemFolder, providing enhanced searching, retrieving, and reporting capabilities that make it easier than ever to effectively manage multitudes of chemical data from various instruments and analytical devices.

Built on the superior drawing capabilities of ACD/ChemSketch and the powerful database interface of ACD/Labs databasing products, ACD/ChemFolder provides users with the ability to manage thousands of separate files with chemical structures, reactions, and reports, as well as create and compare databases, predict chemical properties, and group and analyze data using advanced graphical presentation.

ACD/ChemFolder contains a powerful search system with an extensive range of both basic and advanced search capabilities for retrieving records by numerous properties and structural attributes, including substructure, structure similarity, stereoisomers, subreactions, and several others. New to version 8.0 is the ability to search by case-sensitive text strings within user notes and data fields, enabling users to narrow search results to obtain records of interest faster. Version 8.0 also offers a facility to use a customized database screen layout as a search form to specify new and existing search parameters.

Enhanced reporting capabilities in version 8.0 make it possible to effortlessly produce informative reports using a custom screen layout as a template. In addition to the professional reporting features available through the integrated ChemSketch window, users can now print their records directly from ChemFolder, export them as Adobe PDF files, or convert them into ChemSketch reports while maintaining the original record layout.

Also new to ACD/ChemFolder version 8.0 is the Add-On Organizer, a built-in tool for customizing and extending the functionality of the database through add-on programs that resolve specific challenges faced by chemists in their daily efforts. One such program released in version 8.0 is the Desalt Add-On, which enables you to modify a chemical structure in any database record by removing the counterions from salts drawn with a covalent bond or in ionic form, and minimizing charge.

Antony Williams, Ph.D., V.P. Scientific Development and Marketing of ACD/Labs, states, "We believe that ACD/ChemFolder is one of the most flexible structure databasing applications available today at the desktop. Enterprise level applications certainly offer a path for organizational homogeneity. However, such deployments come with stringent controls and therefore limit the flexibility required for smaller projects requiring chemical structure databasing and integration of disparate data. ACD/ChemFolder is an ideal tool to create such databases."

ACD/ChemFolder is seamlessly integrated with ACD/Labs mobile chemistry offerings, including ACD/ChemPalm and ACD/ChemPocket, which facilitate the storing, browsing, and searching of ChemFolder databases on personal digital assistants (PDAs). Also, ACD/ChemCoder makes it possible to encode chemical structures and associated information into 2D barcodes directly from the ChemFolder interface.

