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Advanced Chemistry Development, Inc., Provides Superior Inorganic Structure and Polymer Support with the Release of Version 8.0

Toronto, Canada, March 29, 2004 - Advanced Chemistry Development, Inc., (ACD/Labs) announces the release of ACD/ChemSketch version 8.0, which through the addition of new bond types and molecular classes, extends its capabilities to provide chemically-intelligent support of inorganics and polymers.

ACD/ChemSketch is the state-of-the-art chemical drawing package that enables users to draw molecules, reactions, and schematic diagrams, calculate physical properties, generate accurate IUPAC names for chemical structures, and design professional reports and presentations. With an established base of an estimated 500,000 users worldwide, ACD/ChemSketch is renowned for its superior support of organic chemistry, and researchers, publishers, and teachers everywhere have become devoted to the tool that helps them seamlessly turn their chemistry content into publication-quality documents, reports, and presentations, thereby accelerating their reporting tasks and the submission of scientific papers.

Version 8.0 of ACD/ChemSketch offers inorganic chemists the same chemical drawing, analysis, and reporting capabilities that have been treasured by the organic chemistry population for years. Users can construct organometallics and other coordination compounds using several coordination bond styles, and an extensive range of inorganic and organic structures can be crafted using other specialty bond types, including delocalized, aromatic, quadruple, and delocalized bonds to name a few. A new delocalized structure tool also makes it possible to draw delocalized structures, including ferrocenes, catalysts, and reaction intermediates, and interpret them as chemical objects.

Along with its drawing and reporting capabilities, ACD/ChemSketch provides a portal through which all ACD/Labs chemistry software components may be accessed. Because of its deep integration with other ACD/Labs products, users can now employ various ACD/Labs software modules to support inorganic structures across a wide range of analytical techniques, including chromatography, mass spectrometry, optical spectroscopy, and more.

Antony Williams, Ph.D., V.P. Scientific Development and Marketing of ACD/Labs, states, "It is true to say that inorganic and polymer chemists have generally been less than satisfied in terms of the capabilities they have been delivered for chemical structure drawing and databasing. With our version 8.0 release, ACD/Labs delivers extended capabilities for chemical structure representation and nomenclature generation for both inorganics and polymers. Full support through our analytical database management system has also been enabled for these data types and we hope that inorganic and polymer chemists around the world will feel empowered to finally manage their data in a fashion that organic chemists have experienced for many years".

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