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## Canaccord Adams Hires David Bouchey in Equity Research, Expanding Life Sciences Coverage

**Boston, Mass.** (September 27, 2006)—Canaccord Adams announced today that David Bouchey has joined the Firm as Vice President, and Equity Research Analyst in the Life Sciences sector. Bouchey, who has extensive experience as an analyst and scientist, is joining Canaccord Adams to cover biotechnology companies as part of a growing global research team of eight professionals. Among them, Joe Pantginis, a Vice President in Canaccord Adams' New York office, has been covering US-based life sciences since February 2005 with a focus on emerging companies in the oncology, infectious disease and inflammation/immunology areas.

"We are pleased to welcome David to our equity research team," said Eric Prouty, Canaccord Adams' U.S. Director of Research. "The emerging therapeutics sector is a very exciting area which holds great potential for impactful new products and therapies. Expanding this area of our coverage is consistent with our goal of focusing on cutting-edge, small- and mid-cap growth sectors of the market."

Canaccord Adams focuses on hiring analysts such as Bouchey and Pantginis, who both have had extensive educational training and professional experience in their specialty sectors. "This practical background gives them a unique perspective and ability to understand the science behind the companies—an essential element for successful research in such evolving areas as life sciences," said Prouty.

David Bouchey has worked as a biotech analyst since 1999. Most recently, he was Vice President and analyst at RBC Capital Markets where he focused on small- and mid-cap biotech companies. For over 16 years, Bouchey held a range of positions in science research and academia at such institutions as the University of Kentucky, University of Virginia and University of Colorado Health Sciences Center. Bouchey holds a PhD in cell and molecular biology from the University of Virginia, an MBA in finance and monetary economics from the University of Kentucky, an MS in Virology from the University of Kentucky and a BS in Microbiology and Public Health from Michigan State University.

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