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ACACIA SUBSIDIARY PARTNERS WITH MAJOR JAPANESE SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURER

Newport Beach, CA. – (BUSINESS WIRE) September 27, 2016 – <u>Acacia Research Corporation</u> (NASDAQ: ACTG) announced today that a subsidiary has partnered with a major Japanese semiconductor manufacturer. The patents relate to DRAM and Flash Memory circuits and manufacturing processes.

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