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ACM-Pivotal Europe Awarded Key Accreditation from the College of American Pathologists

York-based Central Lab Earns Certification Underscoring Highest Standards of Excellence

York, England and Rochester, NY, Nov. 27, 2006 – ACM-Pivotal, the global central laboratory that continually defines the customer-service standard with its inherently flexible approach, today announced that its European facility has received certification by the College of American Pathologists (CAP) based on the results of a recent on-site inspection of its central laboratory in York, England. This globally recognized certification highlights the company’s ability to provide comprehensive central laboratory support for clinical trials.

“Achieving CAP certification is an endorsement of the internal standards that we continuously maintain,” said Jerry Boxall, managing director, ACM-Pivotal Europe. “ACM-Pivotal has an ongoing commitment to implement the best standards on a worldwide basis, and the addition of the CAP certification in Europe emphasises the global presence of the company.”

ACM-Pivotal Europe was established in 1999 and serves the regions of Western Europe, Central and Eastern Europe, Israel and South Africa. This facility has established efficient and cost-effective logistics solutions for some of the most challenging locations in the region. It offers extensive laboratory facilities featuring a full range of routine and esoteric testing services.

The CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program is an internationally-recognized program and utilizes teams of practicing laboratory professionals as inspectors. Its goal is to improve patient safety by advancing the quality of pathology and laboratory services through education, standard setting, and ensuring laboratories meet or exceed regulatory requirements.

ACM-Pivotal was also awarded a renewal of its CAP accreditation for its Rochester, NY-based central laboratory facility in July of this year. The CAP accreditations join an impressive list of additional industry

standards that ACM-Pivotal has earned. For more information, visit the website at www.acm-pivotal.com/about_credentials.html

About ACM-Pivotal

ACM-Pivotal is the global central laboratory with an inherently flexible approach and a focus on precision to keep clinical research studies on schedule. The organization sets itself apart by its single focus on global central lab services. ACM-Pivotal is defining the industry standard by continually developing customer-centric processes and services. With a staff of 360 laboratory science and clinical research experts, ACM-Pivotal's global operations extend to more than 60 countries and offer a broad and customized menu of safety and specialty services for clinical trials. The organization's research team performs 12 million tests each year, featuring more than 1,500 individual tests spanning all medical disciplines, including Pathology, Microbiology and Pharmacogenomics. For more information, visit www.acm-pivotal.com.

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