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**SANTEN CEO ADRIENNE GRAVES JOINS BOARD OF
ASCRS FOUNDATION**

NAPA, CA – November 30, 2009 – Santen Inc. announced today that its President and CEO, Adrienne L. Graves, Ph.D. has been appointed to the Board of Directors of the American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery (ASCRS) Foundation. Santen Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Japan's Santen Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (Tokyo Stock Exchange: 4536).

Richard Lindstrom, M.D., Chairman of the ASCRS Foundation Governing Board, commented, "Dr. Graves brings extraordinary experience, a broad network of contacts and is highly qualified for Foundation Board service. Her years as a leader in clinical research and as CEO of Santen represent a unique and important skill set. We are delighted she has agreed to join our efforts in education, research and third world patient service."

"I am proud to join the Foundation's mission in advancing research and public education and providing humanitarian eyecare," added Dr. Graves. "It is an honor to join the ophthalmology and industry leaders on the Governing Board."

Dr. Graves was trained as a visual scientist before beginning her career in the ophthalmic pharmaceutical industry. She studied visual psychophysics and electrophysiology at Brown University, University of Michigan, and University of Paris before joining Alcon Labs. Dr Graves spent 9 years at Alcon before joining Santen in 1995 to help found their U.S. operations.

In addition to her role as President and CEO of Santen Incorporated, she serves as a corporate officer for Santen Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd., and serves on the board of directors for TearLab Corporation. She also serves on the boards of the Glaucoma Research Foundation, the AAO (American Academy of Ophthalmology) Foundation, the Pan-American Ophthalmological Foundation, and the Corporation Committee for the Brown University Medical School. She co-founded OWL (Ophthalmic Women Leaders) with Dr. Marguerite McDonald.

About the ASCRS Foundation

The ASCRS Foundation is a 501-C-3 organization dedicated to improving the American public's understanding of ophthalmology; sponsoring independent research designed to advance the science and practice of ophthalmology; and providing humanitarian eyecare to the world's underserved.

About Santen Inc.

Santen Inc., based in Napa, California, is the U.S. subsidiary of Santen Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd., a billion-dollar global company headquartered in Osaka, Japan since 1890. Santen researches, develops and markets ophthalmic products for physicians worldwide. Among prescription

ophthalmic pharmaceuticals, Santen holds the top share within the Japanese and Chinese markets and is one of the leading ophthalmic companies worldwide. Santen has subsidiaries in the U.S., Europe and Asia, including its wholly owned Napa, California-based Santen Inc. A detailed listing of products, as well as additional corporate information, is available online at www.santeninc.com

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Editor's Note: Color and B&W headshots of Dr. Graves are available. Contact Ed Stevens at estevens@chasepr.com.