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SARCOMA FOUNDATION OF AMERICA ANNOUNCES PARTNERSHIP TO FUND ADVANCED CLINICAL RESEARCH AWARD

Maryland (October 15, 2007) — The Sarcoma Foundation of America, an organization dedicated to finding new and better therapies for sarcoma patients, is pleased to announce it is supporting a \$450,000 Advanced Clinical Research Award (ACRA) through The ASCO Foundation.

“We are especially proud of the ACRA grant, which was made possible through a partnership with the Capon Family,” said Mark Thornton, M.D., Ph.D., President, Sarcoma Foundation of America. “We believe that by privately funding a long-term research grant of this magnitude, we can attract high caliber researchers who are interested in and capable of pursuing a significant sarcoma research project. It is by supporting the work of dedicated scientific researchers, we will eventually find a cure for sarcoma. It also demonstrates to those of us who are part of the sarcoma community that dedication of a small number of people united for a cause can truly make a difference!”

"Approximately 11,000 new cases of sarcoma will be diagnosed in the United States this year, and roughly 5,500 people will die of the disease. We need to find new and better ways to prevent, diagnose, treat and enhance the quality of life for people living with sarcoma. To that end, we are pleased to announce the Sarcoma Foundation of America and Capon Family will fund the first ASCO Foundation Advanced Clinical Research Award (ACRA) in sarcoma. This award is a vital component to the development of new therapies and progress against sarcoma," said Joseph S. Bailes, M.D., Chair, ASCO Foundation Board of Directors.

The ASCO Foundation, Sarcoma Foundation of America, and Capon Family 2008 Advanced Clinical Research Award in Sarcoma application will be available on October 31, 2007. Please visit www.ascofoundation.org/grants for a complete listing of award terms and eligibility criteria and to access the online application.

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Quick Facts About Sarcoma

Sarcoma is a rare cancer in adults (1 percent of all adult cancers) but rather prevalent in children (about 20

percent of all childhood cancers). At any one time, 50,000 patients and their families are struggling with sarcoma. Every year, about 10,000 new cases are diagnosed, and about 5,000 people die from sarcoma.

About the Sarcoma Foundation of America

The Sarcoma Foundation of America (SFA), a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit charitable organization, is an advocate for increased research to find new and better therapies with which to treat patients with sarcoma. SFA raises its own funds to provide research grants to sarcoma researchers. SFA also interacts with public, private for-profit, and private non-profit organizations to raise awareness of the treatment needs of sarcoma patients. For more information, please visit www.curesarcoma.org.