

## **Aclaris Therapeutics, Inc. Added to Russell 2000® Index**

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MALVERN, Pa., Dec. 22, 2015 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Aclaris Therapeutics, Inc. (NASDAQ:ACRS), a clinical-stage specialty dermatology company, today announced that it has been selected for addition to the Russell 2000® and Russell 3000® Indexes as part of Russell Investments' annual reconstitution effective as of December 21, 2015.

The Russell 2000® Index measures the performance of the small-cap segment of the U.S. equity market and is a subset of the Russell 3000®, representing approximately 10% of the total market capitalization of that index. Membership in the Russell 2000® Index includes automatic inclusion in the appropriate growth and style indexes.

Russell indices are widely used by investment managers and institutional investors for index funds and as benchmarks for both passive and active investment strategies. Russell Investments determines membership for each index based on objective market capitalization rankings and style attributes. More than \$5.7 trillion in assets are currently benchmarked to the Russell family of indexes.

### **About Aclaris**

Aclaris Therapeutics, Inc. is a clinical-stage specialty pharmaceutical company focused on identifying, developing and commercializing innovative and differentiated drugs to address significant unmet needs in dermatology. Aclaris Therapeutics, Inc. is based in Malvern, Pennsylvania and more information can be found by visiting the company's website at [www.aclaristx.com](http://www.aclaristx.com).

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