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**Managing Director Eric Meltzer to Moderate Panel at
The 5th Anti-Infectives Partnering & Deal Making-Summit**

Philadelphia, PA – March 1, 2008 -- Managing Director Eric Meltzer is moderating a key panel discussion on Investment Opportunities in the Anti-Infectives Space at The 5th Anti-Infectives Partnering & Deal Making-Summit. The Conference is to be held from March 5 – 7, 2008 in Philadelphia, PA.

In addition to Mr. Meltzer, panel participants include Lisa Gray, Managing Partner, Phoenix IP Ventures; Jennifer H. Hartt, Director of Investments, Life Sciences, Ben Franklin Technology Partners; and Gary Patou, Executive Partner, MPM Capital. Key issues that will be discussed include:

- 1. What should venture capital firms be doing to increase the financing of early stage discoveries and early translational research?*
- 2. What makes the anti-infectives sector attractive/unattractive to investors?*
- 3. How is the environment changing for anti-infectives and what impact does this have on funding/partnering for hospital and community anti-infective drugs?*
- 4. What can other regions of the country do to attract venture capital as successfully as the Boston and the Bay Area regions?*

The Anti-Infectives Partnering & Deal Making-Summit

The Anti-Infectives Partnering & Deal Making-Summit is an infectious disease partnering and business development conference that gives global biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies an opportunity to network with high-level executives from top pharma and various biotech/pharmaceutical companies, explore potential collaborations, and learn about relevant anti-infective issues and deals that will affect the industry. Registration information for the conference can be found at <http://gtcbio.com/conferenceDetails.aspx?id=117>. The Conference is organized by GTCbio which organizes conferences specifically for the biomedical and biopharmaceutical industries. www.gtcbio.com



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