Ashlar-Vellum™ Announces
Alchemy:Essential™ & Alchemy:Adept™ Beta

May 18, 2010, Austin, TX. Ashlar-Vellum announced today the beta release of their two Alchemy plug-ins for file transformation. With Alchemy:Essential and Alchemy:Adept users can open SolidWorks, Autodesk Inventor and Catia v4 files directly in Ashlar-Vellum Cobalt™, Xenon™ and Argon™ on either Mac or Windows. Using Alchemy:Adept they can also open Catia v5, Pro/E and Siemens NX files.

The Alchemy plug-ins import the geometry from an extensive list of 3D modeling packages. They offer some of the most advanced healing technology available saving hours of manual rework. Both accessories require v8 SP3 of Cobalt, Xenon or Argon, now in beta.

Upon full release, Alchemy:Essential will sell for $995 and Alchemy:Adept for $2995, but Ashlar-Vellum is offering special beta period pricing of $595 and $1995 respectively. Both accessories require v8 SP3 of Cobalt, Xenon or Argon, also in beta.

The Alchemy plug-ins are the latest addition to the Ashlar-Vellum Designer Elements™ product line of engineering software on Mac and Windows. For a complete list of import formats or to learn more, visit Ashlar-Vellum website at www.ashlar.com.

About Ashlar-Vellum

Founded in 1988, Ashlar-Vellum is the leading provider of precision CAD and 3D modeling software that automates and simplifies the design process for drafting, design, and engineering professionals on both Macintosh and Windows platforms. Ashlar-Vellum's unique Organic Workflow™ featuring their renowned Vellum® user interface and powerful toolsets have earned the loyalty of innovators around the world. Ashlar-Vellum operates from its headquarters in Austin, Texas. To learn more call +1 800-877-2745 or visit www.ashlar.com.

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