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OPS Ranking for Akorn Upgraded by StockDiagnostics.com

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Sarasota, FL, May 24, 2010-Akorn, Inc. (NASDAQ:AKRX) reported positive OPS (Operational-cashflow Per Share) for its quarter ended March 31, 2010 and StockDiagnostics.com has upgraded its OPS Ranking to "3" from its previous OPS Ranking of "7". Akorn's OPS Ranking of "3" is its highest over its previous three years.

The OPS RankingTM upgrade was based on Akorn's recently filed Cash Flow Statements for its quarter ended March 31, 2010. The company's computed OPS TM (Operational-cashflow Per Share) for the quarter was \$0.02 per share as compared to -\$0.02 per share for the comparable year earlier quarter. OPS for the most recent 12 months ended March 31, 2010 was \$0.03 per share as compared to \$0.03 per share for the 12 months ended March 31, 2009. OPS for Akorn's trailing twelve months reached a three year high.

The shares of Akorn were recently trading at \$2.61, which is within 15% of their one year high of \$3.04 on May 18, 2010.

StockDiagnostics.com has issued 1338 OPS Ranking upgrades for 2010. This compares with 1332 OPS Ranking upgrades in the same period last year. For all of 2009, there were 3473 OPS Ranking upgrades.

About OPS RankingsTM changes -- OPS Ranking upgrades and downgrades may predict changes in the momentum of a company's stock price and its inherent or presumed financial health. All OPS Ranking downgrades, even a downgrade from the highest OPS Ranking of "1" to the second highest OPS Ranking of "2" should be treated with equal caution. Similarly, all OPS Ranking upgrades should be considered as equally positive. Even an upgrade from the lowest OPS Ranking of "8" to the second lowest OPS Ranking of "7" can be treated with guarded optimism.

"OPS Rankings" originated from the results of an in-depth 1990-2001, research study on Operational Cashflow that was done by StockDiagnostics.com. The study included 3,885 public companies, whose shares traded at a minimum of \$6.00 per share in 1999 and also filed their four quarterly reports for fiscal

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1999. The findings revealed that each of the company's "OPS" logically fell into one of eight distinctive risk categories. The categories were the genesis of StockDiagnostics.com's numerical eight point, 1 through 8, OPS rankings.

The ranking of 3, which the company received means that Akorn based on its OPS over its most recent four quarters and its aggregated OPS over its latest twelve months is in the third lowest risk category. The results from the study indicated that 73.12% of all the companies in this risk category (an OPS Ranking of 3), which had shares that traded at \$6.00 or above in 1999 had share prices, which traded at \$6.00 or above during 2001.

Statistical research on the other OPS Rankings is available at www.StockDiagnostics.com and is also available at StockTrendNews.com. Additional information on StockDiagnostics, its OPS Rankings and on OPS, including three minute web tutorials, "What is OPS?" and "What are OPS Ratings?", are available at www.StockDiagnostics.com.

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