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## **Ashlar-Vellum™ Releases Cobalt™, Xenon™ and Argon™ Version 8 for Mac**

**July 9, 2008, Austin, TX.** Ashlar-Vellum announced this week the release of Cobalt, Xenon and Argon v8 on Mac OS X Leopard. The trio of products for 3D modeling within product design was previously released on the Windows XP and Vista operating systems in January.

Ashlar-Vellum President, Robert Bou, commented, “We’re very proud of our development team. Support for the Mac Intel required an entire rewrite into X-code, not simply recompiling the software. Not only did the team accomplish the transition, they advanced our software in areas that will make our customers more productive and communicative in their design work.”

The new and enhanced features within v8 support Ashlar-Vellum’s unique philosophy of Organic Workflow, introduced earlier this year. A few of the many features and enhancements include:

- Direct, multi-sheet PDF creation with optionally embedded source and exported files
- Updated ACIS with enhanced STEP, IGES and Catia translators
- Batch Convert tool
- Photo-realistic views in Model to Sheet
- Imported bitmaps now support alpha channel
- Real-time environment maps in the edit window

### **About Ashlar Incorporated**

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 the Macintosh and Windows platforms. Ashlar-Vellum’s 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](http://www.ashlar.com).

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