Library renamed after CU Pharmacy Alum

The University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus has named the Health Sciences Library in honor of 1951 CU Skaggs School of Pharmacy alumnus and philanthropist Henry L. Strauss, a significant supporter of the library and the university. Click here to read more.
Sheridan Health Services Earns Perfect Rating

Thanks in part to the integral role that CU Pharmacy faculty and students play, Sheridan Health Services, a CU College of Nursing led health center in Denver, recently received a perfect rating score from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). The pharmacy is also being recognized as a promising practice. Read more on our blog and watch the video.

A Night in Hollywood - Fall Ball 2018

CU Pharmacy students got a chance to take a break from studying to get to know their peers, and faculty and staff, a little better. The theme for this year's Fall Ball was A Night in Hollywood and the students came dressed for the occasion! It was held at Live At Jacks in downtown Denver. Click here to check out the photos.

Pharmacist on the Street: HPV

The FDA recently expanded the age of the HPV vaccine to cover people from 9-45 years old. CU Pharmacy students, Nashel Patel and Tracie Vanhorn took to the “streets” of the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus to see what students and faculty know about HPV and the vaccine. Click here to read more and watch the video.
CU Pharmacy students place in Public Health Case Competition

The 6th annual Rocky Mountain Public Health Case Competition was held at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus at the start of November. Three first-year pharmacy students placed! Jenny Yoo took third place and was awarded a $250 scholarship. The two other students, Simona Senovaityte and Sara Azimi, won People’s Choice Awards and a $100 scholarship. **Click to read about this year’s competition and see all the winners.**

Students and Pharmacists visit from Haiti

Several students and pharmacists from Haiti visited CU Pharmacy in November to learn about drug safety and education programs.

"It was a chance to get to know each other and hopefully will lead to other collaborations for pharmacy education," said faculty member John Carpenter, PhD.

The visit is part of the school's international outreach efforts.

What's Up DOPS?
Personalized Cancer Treatment

What if you could test cancer treatments on a patient’s tumor, outside of their body, to determine the most effective available clinical therapy? This form of personalized medicine technology is being developed by researchers at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, including CU Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences faculty member Dan LaBarbera, PhD. Click here to read more and watch the video.

Noteworthy Publications

Faculty member Krishna Mallela, PhD, along with his graduate student Dinen Shah and postdocs Surinder Singh and Swati Bandi, has recently had several noteworthy publications in the area of pharmaceutical biotechnology and protein therapeutics, click the linked text for details on each. This one on using nuclear magnetic resonance to study protein therapeutics will be featured on the cover of the Pharmaceutical Research Journal in December, this work done in collaboration with Eli Lilly was the feature article in the November issue of the Journal of Pharmaceutical Sciences, and this work done in collaboration with Pfizer was selected as the most innovative article by the Journal of Pharmaceutical Sciences.

In the News

CU Pharmacy and its experts are consistently sought out by reporters covering a variety of topics. The school was featured in the media several times in November:

- Kari Franson, PharmD, PhD is featured in this Rocky Mountain PBS exclusive about a killer blaming his wife's murder on marijuana edibles.
• Heather Anderson, PhD, is in this CU Anschutz Today article about a study where Anderson, and other CU Anschutz researchers, found that prescribed access to anti-anxiety and anti-psychotic medications may make it easier for patients to use the drugs in attempted suicides.

• Danielle Fixen, PharmD, was interviewed by CBS 4 Denver for this story about older adults using marijuana for pain.

• Rob Valuck, PhD, was interviewed by 9NEWS for a story about caring for mothers addicted to opioids.

• Joe Saseen, PharmD, is in this CU Anschutz today article about Thanksgiving.

• Peter Rice, PharmD, PhD, appeared on Aurora 8 about Thanksgiving overeating. Dr. Rice was also interviewed by 9NEWS about overeating during Pharmacy Line9 on November 15th where students and faculty answered general health questions. The next call in will be on December 20th.