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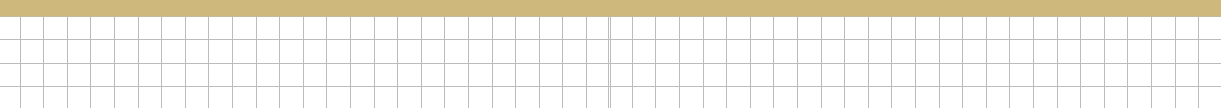




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AGENDA

// New Leadership & Faculty Recognition

// Clinical Care, Research, Education, & Community

// Our Focus

// Priorities, Successes, & Initiatives

// 2025 HIGHLIGHTS

4.7M

Patient Visits

10K+

Med School Applicants

6K+

Faculty Members

#3

Ranked Child Health Associate /
Physician Assistant Program

\$223M

In Philanthropic Support

TOP 5

Children's Hospital With 5
Specialties in the Top 10

NEW LEADERSHIP & FACULTY RECOGNITION



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// NEW LEADERSHIP

Vineet Chopra, MD
*Executive Vice Dean for Clinical
Affairs, Quality, and Research*

Shanta Zimmer, MD
*Executive Vice Dean
for Education*

Naresh Mandava, MD
*Senior Associate Dean for
Strategic Advancement*

Leslie Berg, PhD
*Senior Associate Dean for
Biomedical Research*

Adit Ginde, MD
*Senior Associate Dean for
Clinical Research*



Anne Fuhlbrigge, MD
*Interim Senior Associate Dean
for Faculty Affairs*



Lotte Dyrbye, MD
*Senior Associate Dean for
Faculty Well-Being*



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// NEW LEADERSHIP

Saketh Guntupalli, MD

*Chair, Department of
Obstetrics and Gynecology*



Vik Bebarta, MD

*Chair, Department of
Emergency Medicine*



Peter E. Fecci, MD

*Chair, Department of
Neurosurgery*



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// NEW LEADERSHIP

Robert McIntyre, MD

*Interim Chair, Department of
Surgery*



James DeGregori, PhD

Interim Director, CU Cancer Center



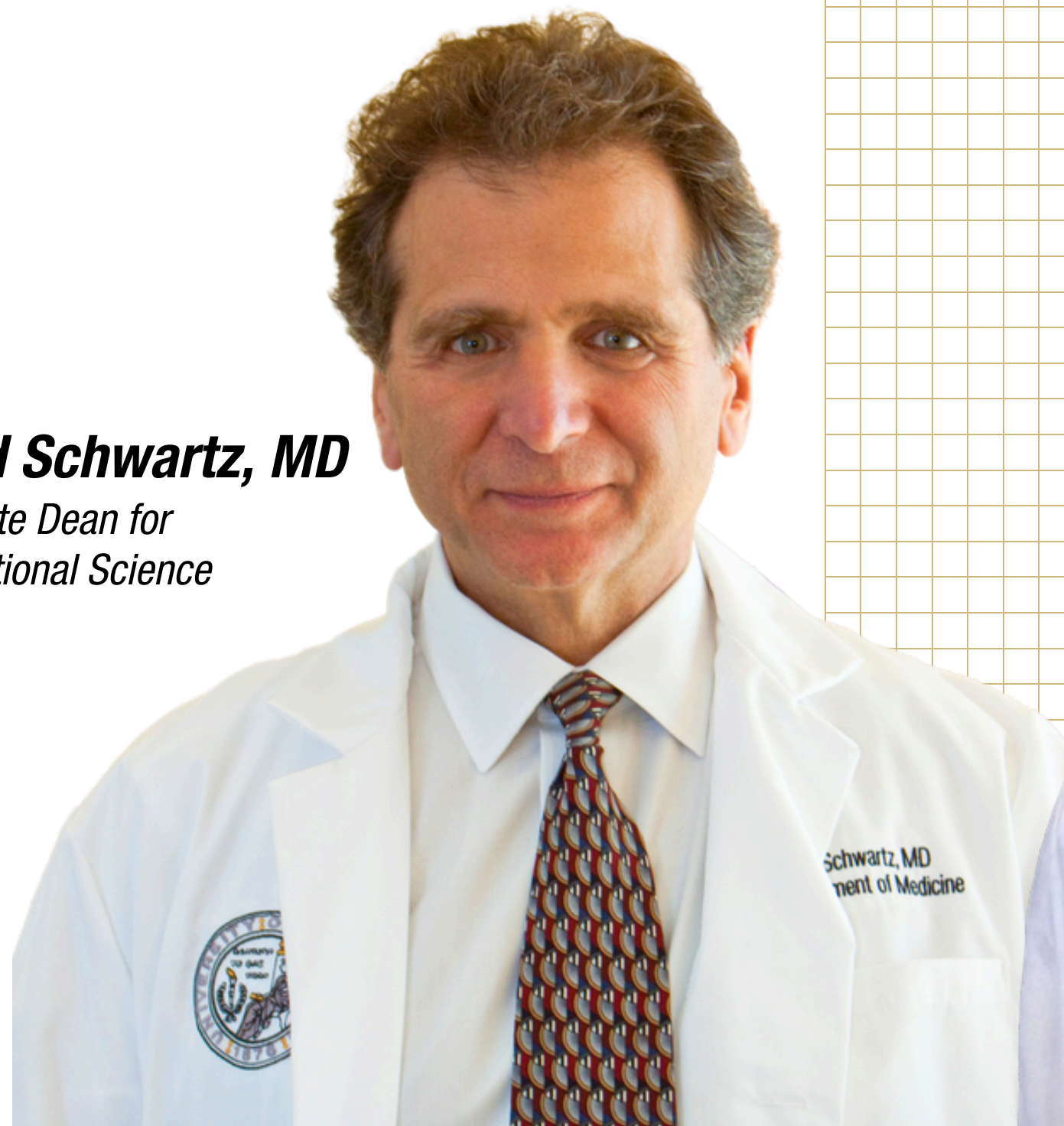
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// NEW LEADERSHIP

David Schwartz, MD

*Associate Dean for
Translational Science*



Patrick J. Hu, MD

*Associate Dean of Medical Education
and Director of the Medical Scientist
Training Program*



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// FACULTY RECOGNITION

Neill Epperson, MD

*Chair, Department of Psychiatry
National Academy of Medicine
New Member*



Richard Krugman, MD

*Former Dean
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
Health Policy Fellows Program
Lifetime Achievement Award*



Ron Sokol, MD

*Chief Scientific Officer, Child Health
Lifetime Achievement Award by the
American Liver Foundation*



Marc Moss, MD

*Professor of Medicine
Honored as a Distinguished
Professor by the
University of Colorado*



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// FACULTY RECOGNITION

Kristina Wilson, MD

*Associate Professor of Clinical
Practice in Orthopedics
National Academy of Medicine's State
Health Policy Fellowship*



Kristi Kuhn, MD

*Professor of Medicine
Presidential Early Career Award for
Scientists and Engineers*



Catherine Musselman, PhD

*Associate Professor of Biochemistry
and Molecular Genetics
Presidential Early Career Award for
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CLINICAL CARE



// BY THE NUMBERS



*No. 1 in Colorado &
Top 5 Nationally*



*No. 1 in Colorado & 4
Specialties Nationally Ranked*



*No.1 Hospital in Colorado
for Social Responsibility*



*Comprehensive Care
for Veterans*



*Leader in
Respiratory Care*

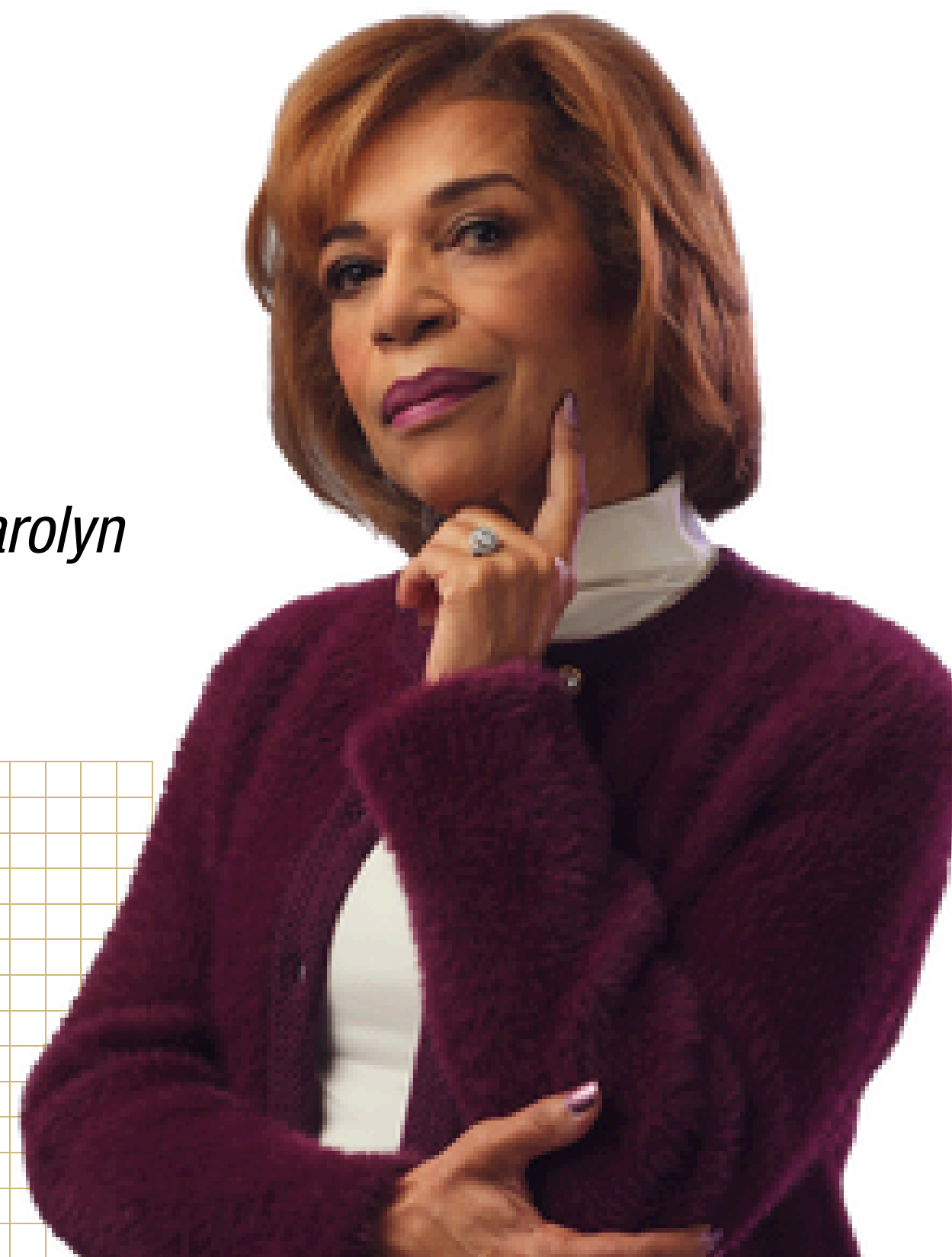


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Enjoying the Gift of Time After a Pancreatic Cancer Diagnosis

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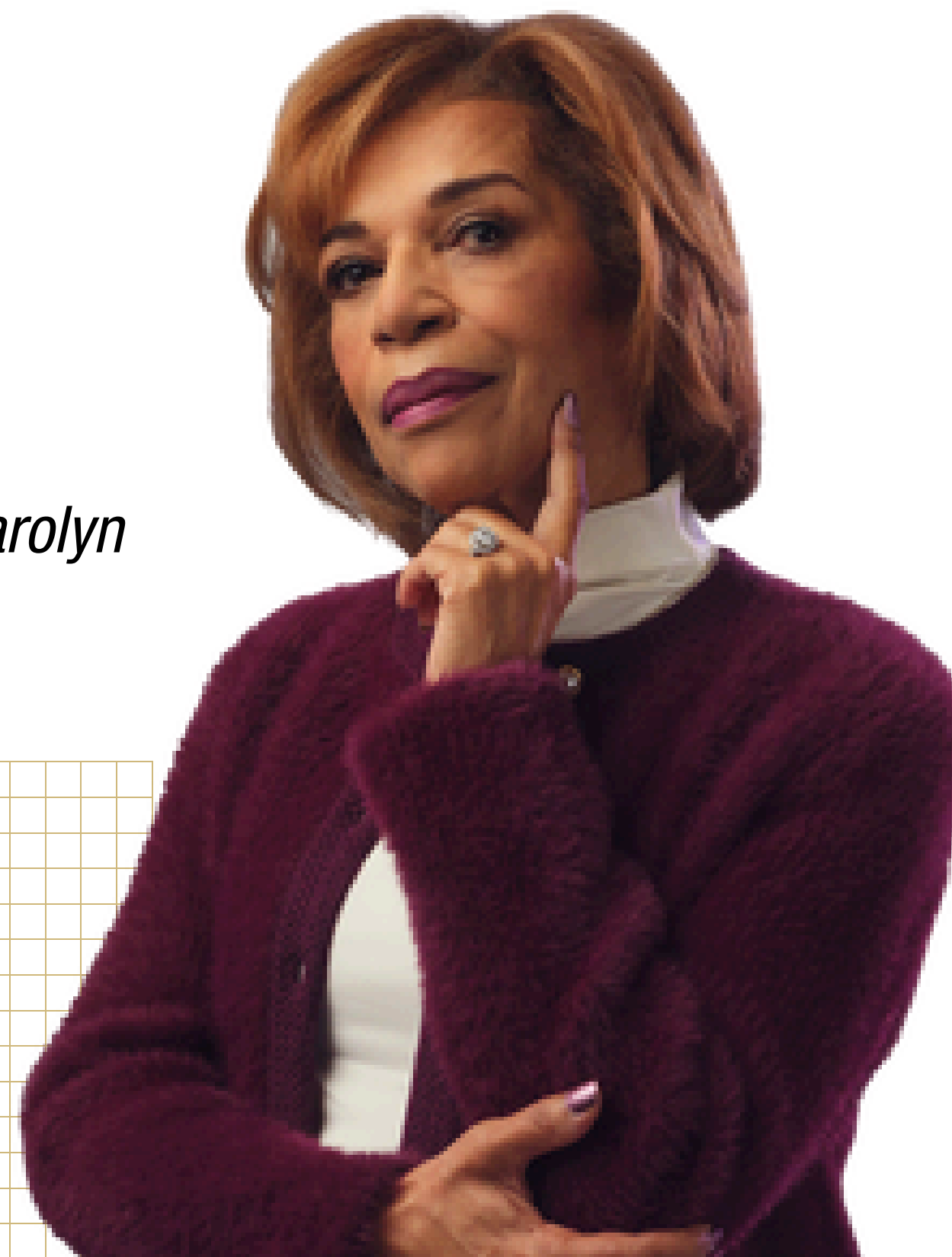




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Eddie Vedder Documentary Elevates a CU Pediatrician's Clinical Focus

*Jamie Feinstein, MD, professor of pediatrics,
appeared in the new film focused on finding
a cure for epidermolysis bullosa.*

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// CLINICAL HIGHLIGHT

CU Surgeon Removes Bladder Cancer from Coach Prime

Facing a 'very high-risk' tumor, Hall of Famer received top care, including a new bladder, from Janet Kukreja, MD, and CU Cancer Center team.

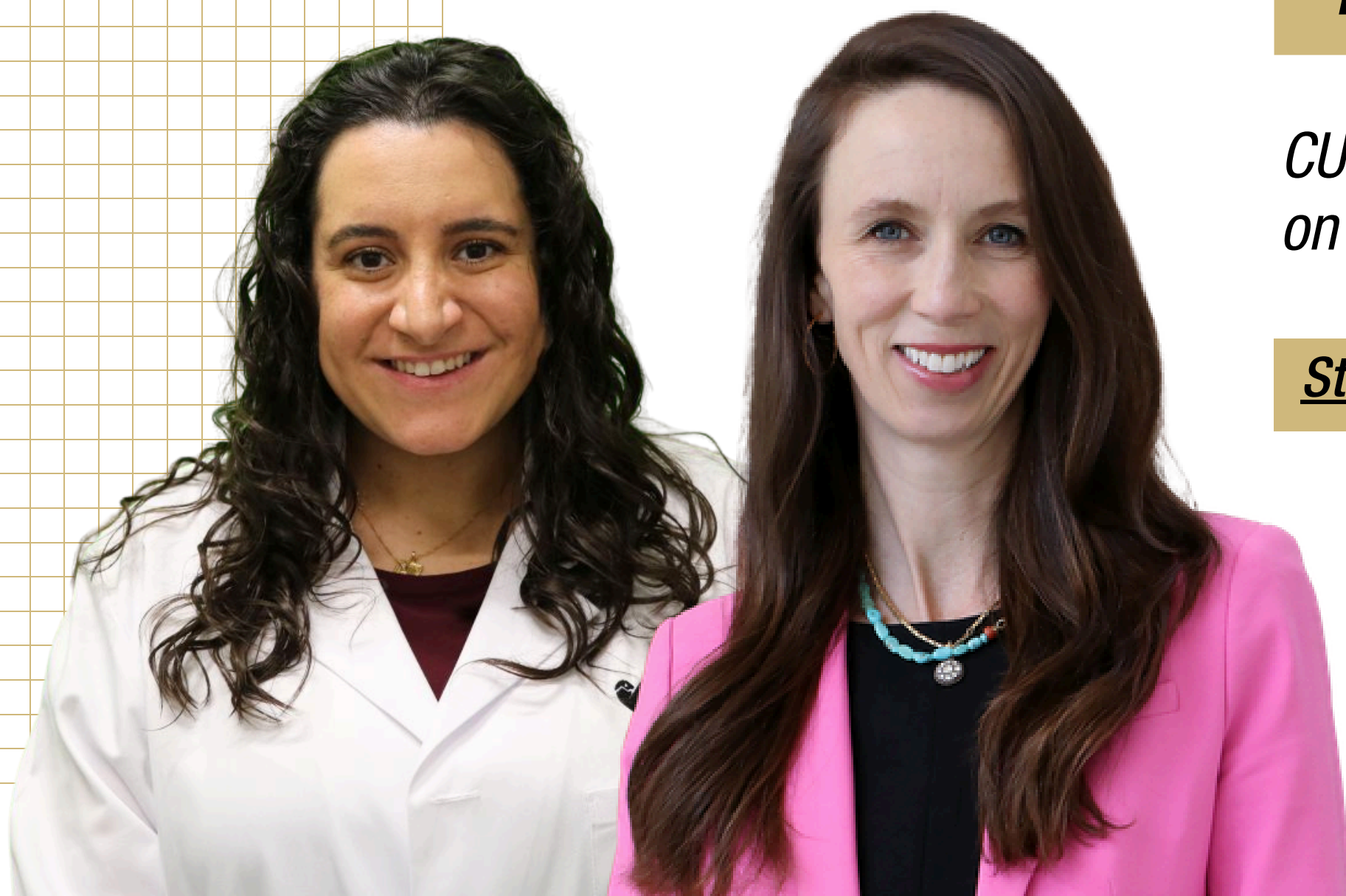
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A Telehealth Program Expands Vital Medical Services in Denver Schools

CU School of Medicine faculty and Denver Health partnered on an initiative to supplement school-based clinics.

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RESEARCH



// BY THE NUMBERS

\$655M
Total Awards in FY25

\$276M
Total NIH Awards

1280
New Clinical Trials in FY25

#5

for Research Hospitals
in Health Sciences



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\$64M

Palliative Care

\$50M

Mental Health Initiative

\$40M

Ophthalmology Research

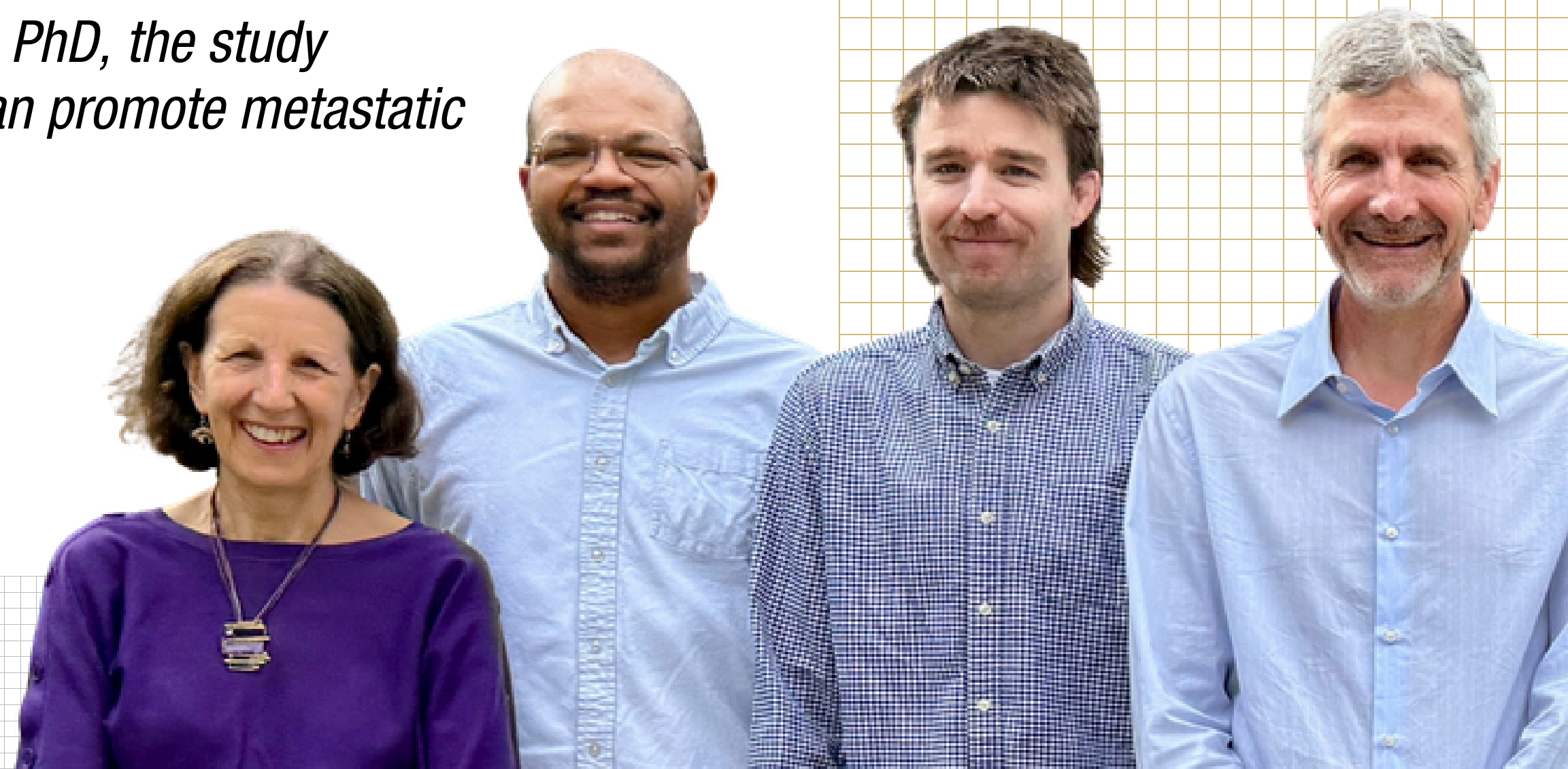
\$15M

Pancreatic Cancer

Research Shows That COVID-19 Infection Can Awaken Dormant Cancer Cells

Led by Interim Director James DeGregori, PhD, the study showed that respiratory viral infections can promote metastatic progression in cancer survivors.

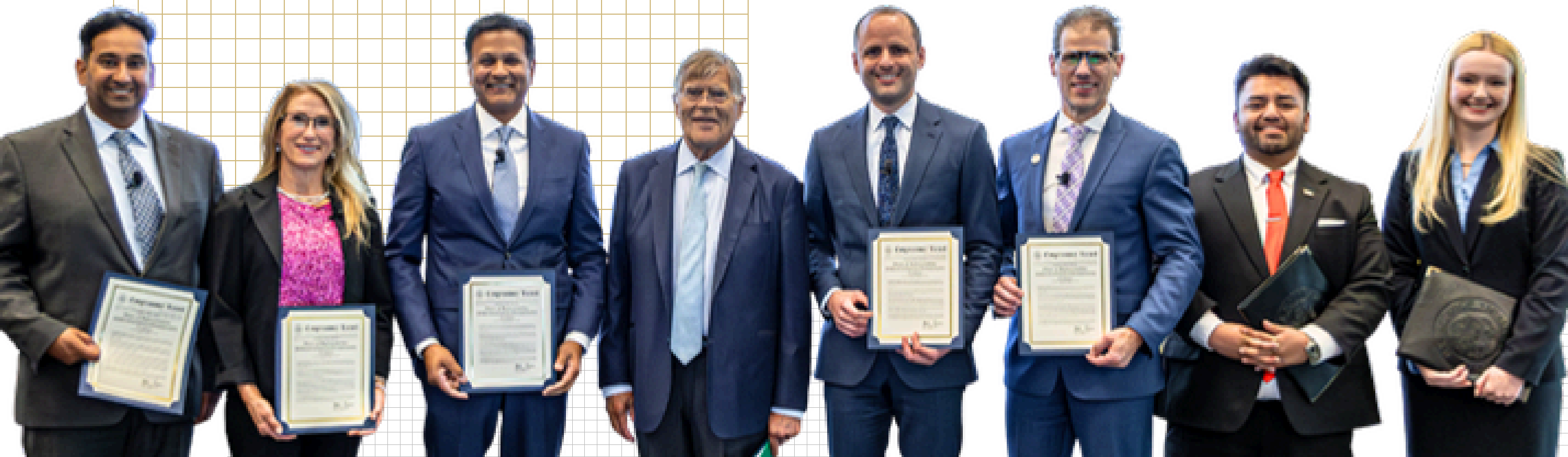
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Breakthroughs in Trauma, Traumatic Brain Injury and PTSD Care

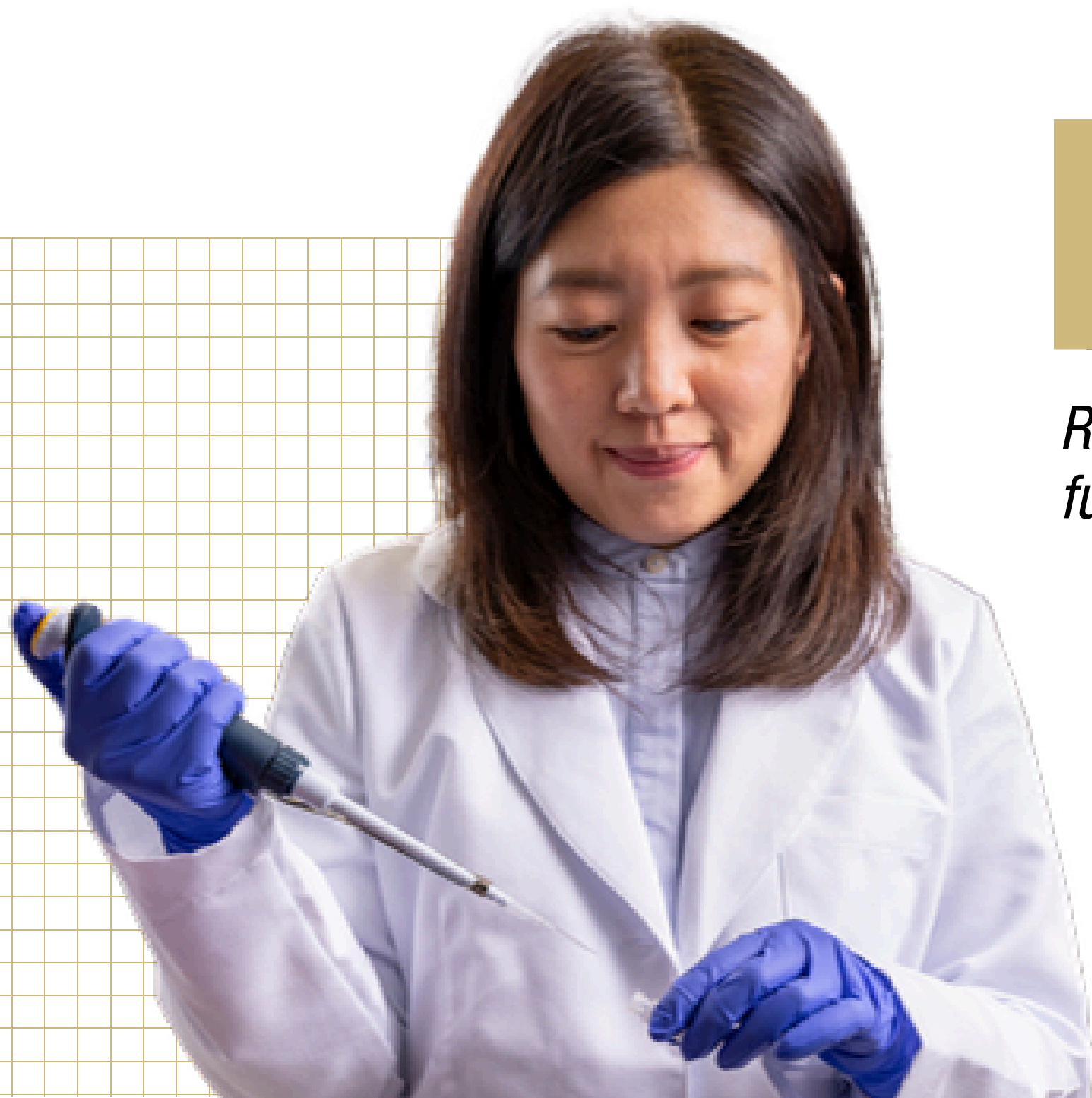
Lecture series explored how COMBAT Research accelerates innovation from battlefield to bedside.

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Departments Pledged \$12M to Support Researchers

*Researchers across nine departments received support
funding amid disruptions for the School of Medicine.*



EDUCATION



// BY THE NUMBERS

46%

of 2024-25 GME Grads
Practicing in Colorado

A+

Graduation Questionnaire

\$1.6M

in Scholarships for All Health
Sciences Programs

School of Medicine Receives Full Accreditation from LCME

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School of Medicine

Trek Curriculum

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Simulation Gives Medical Students an Early Introduction to the Operating Room

Anna Neumeier, MD, helped to design and run the two-day exercise at the Center for Advancing Professional Excellence.

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Pediatrics Postdoc Named 2025 Pew Latin American Fellow

Marycruz Flores-Flores, PhD, received two years of funding to conduct research in the U.S., with additional funding when she returns to Latin America.

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Inaugural Class of Med Students from Ft. Collins Branch Celebrate Graduation

*The cohort of graduates marked the
first from a groundbreaking
collaboration between CU and CSU.*

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COMMUNITY



// BY THE NUMBERS

1.1K+

Clinicians & Others Trained by
CU Through ECHO Colorado

23K+

Unique Medicaid Patients
Received Behavioral Health Care

\$1M

Joanna Sakata Family
Rural Health Endowment

100+

Community Health Programs
Supported in Colorado

Bringing Science Under the Gold Dome of the Colorado Capitol

Young researchers from the School of Medicine and others showcased their work at the event.

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OUR FOCUS



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**FEDERAL
TRANSITION**



**RESEARCH
FUNDING**



**CARE
QUALITY**



**AUGMENTED
INTELLIGENCE**



**WELL-
BEING**

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// OUR FOCUS

*Declined Over the
Past 18 Months*



**BURNOUT
DECLINED**

**PROFESSIONAL
FULFILLMENT
IMPROVED**



*Improved Over the
Past 18 Months*

*Top Quartile Ranking
in Vizient Quality & Accountability*

Best Performance in Six Years

*Ranked No. 27 Out of 118
Academic Medical Centers*



*Ranked in Top 5 for
Value-Based Care*

*Central Line Infections **Reduced by 28%***

*Achieved a
CLABSI Bundle Compliance of 95.6%*



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// PRIORITIES & INITIATIVES

SUCCESSSES & WHAT'S NEXT

**TOP 10
IN 10**





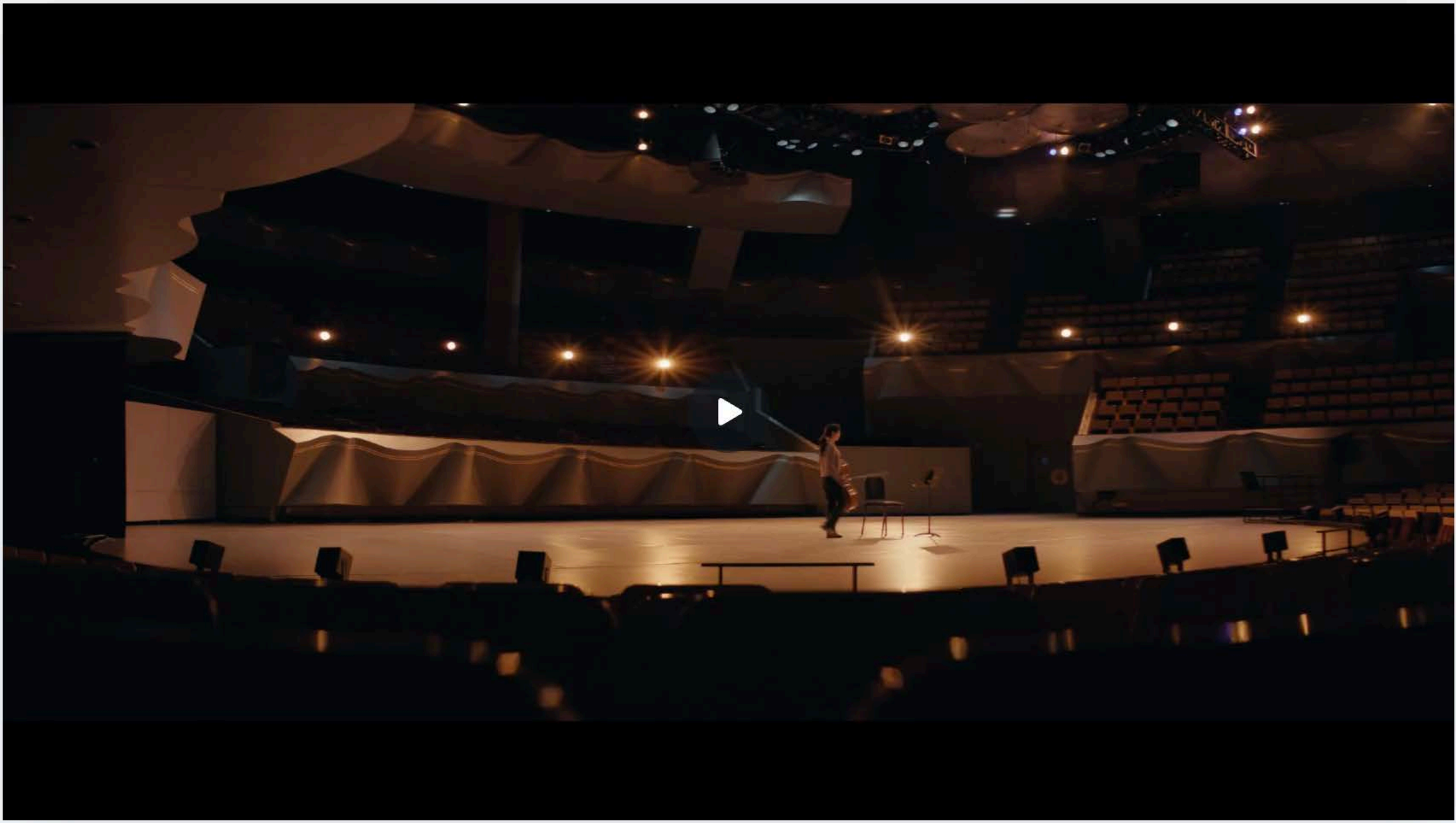
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WHAT MAKES OUR SCHOOL TOP 10!***

Elevating the CU Anschutz Brand

Launched a Brand Alignment Initiative to elevate our visibility and reputation nationally.

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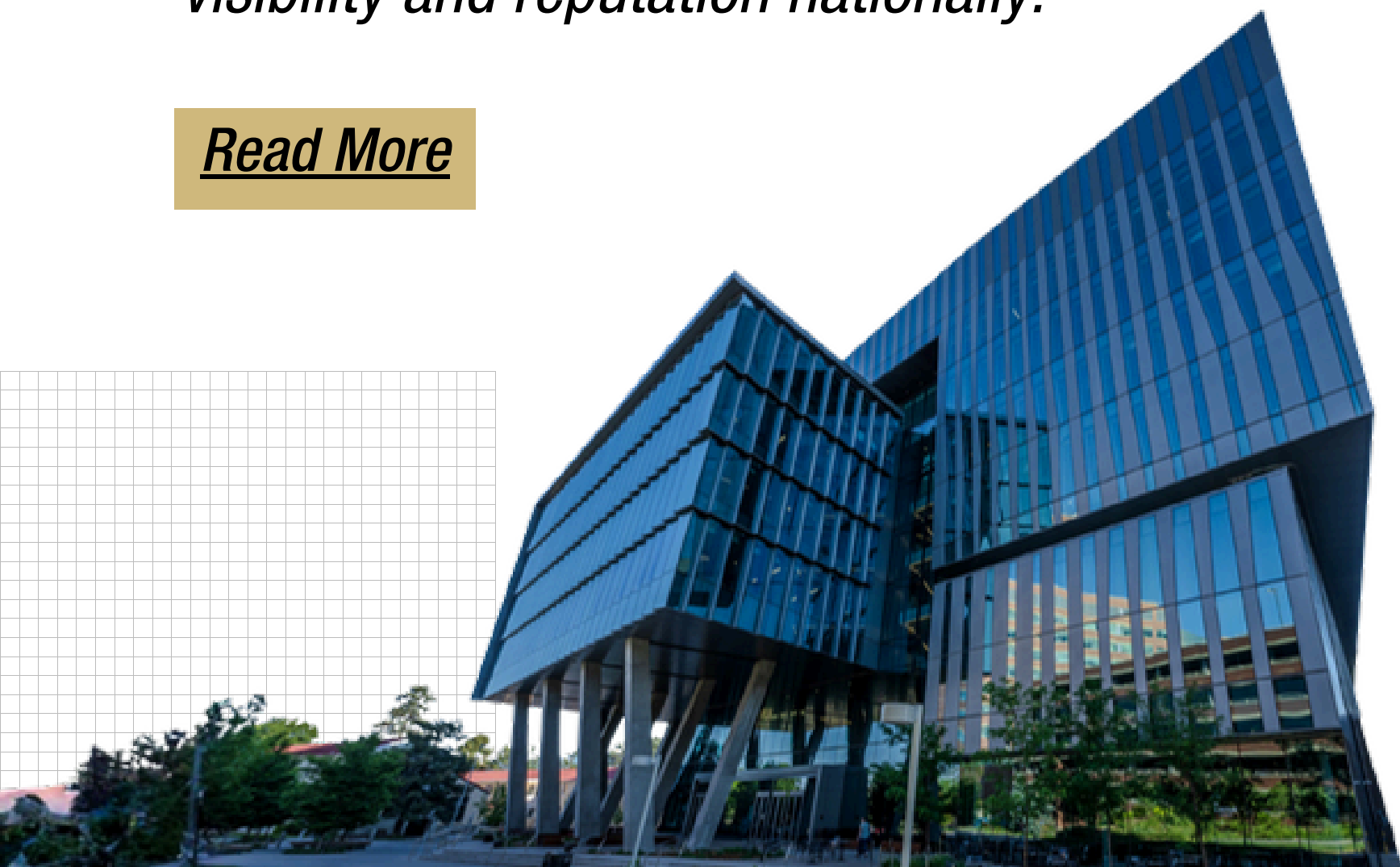




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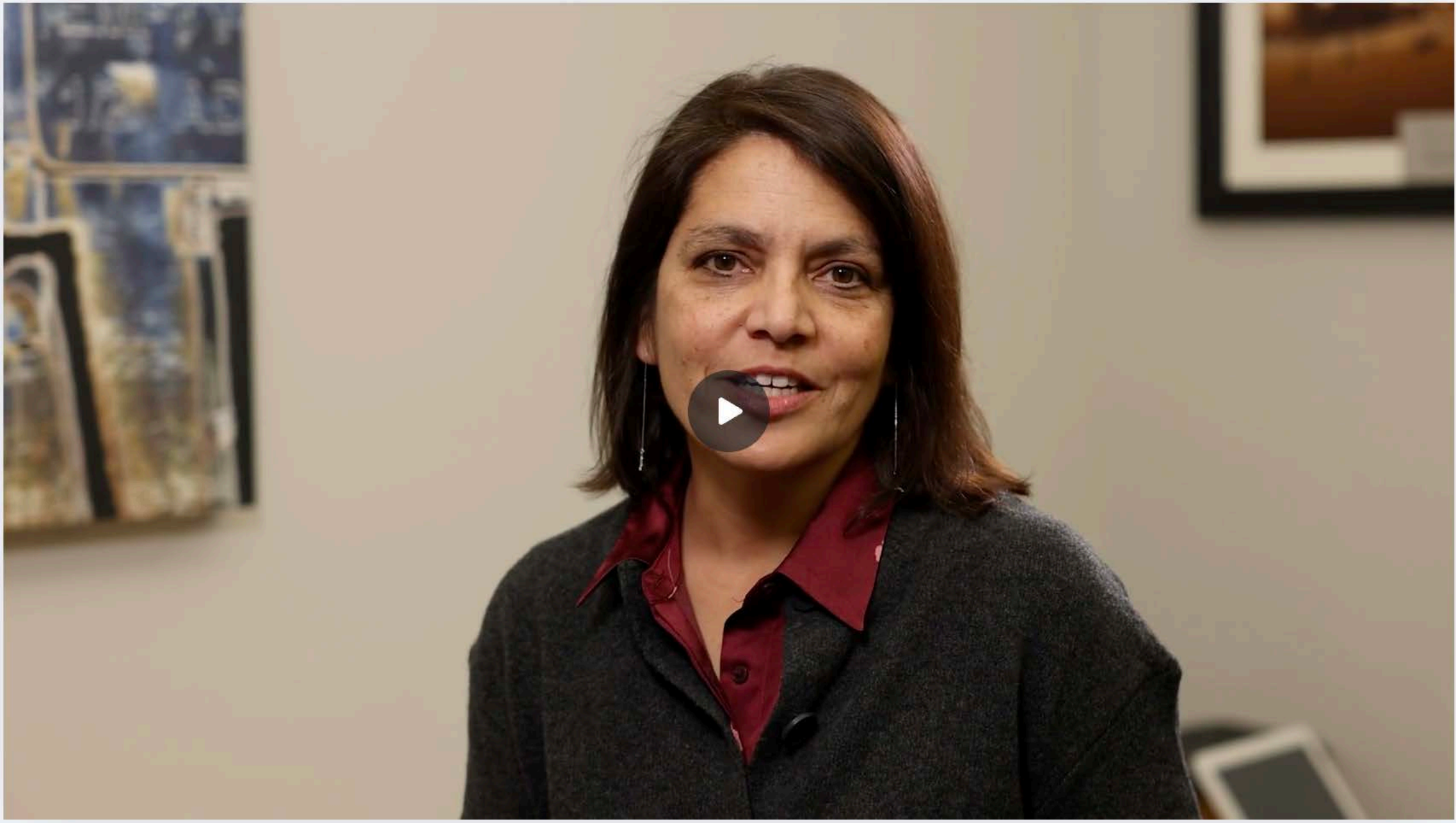
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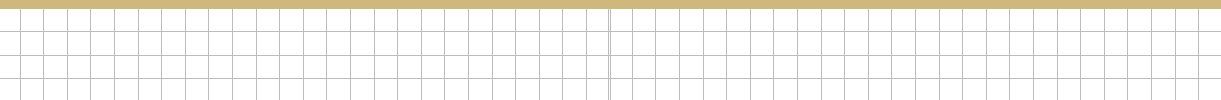
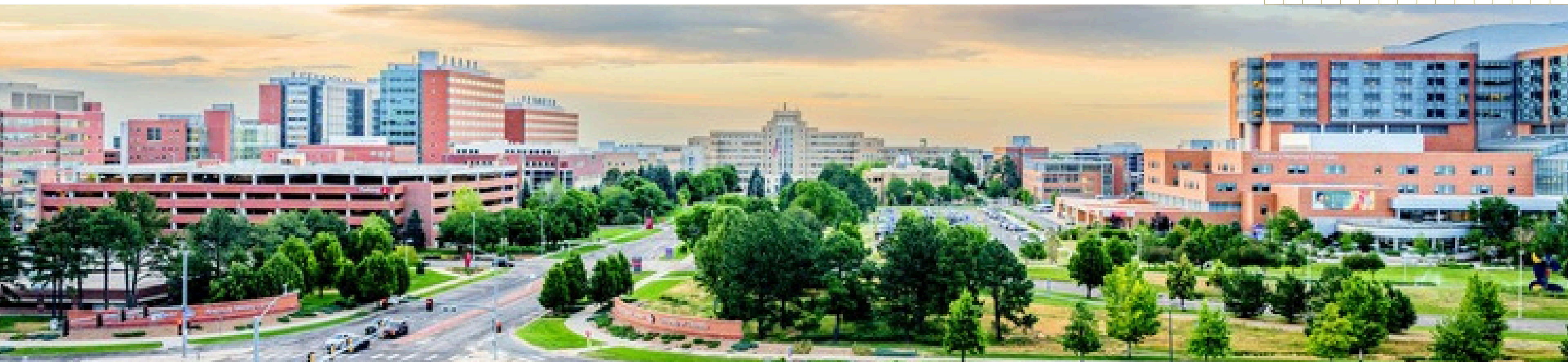
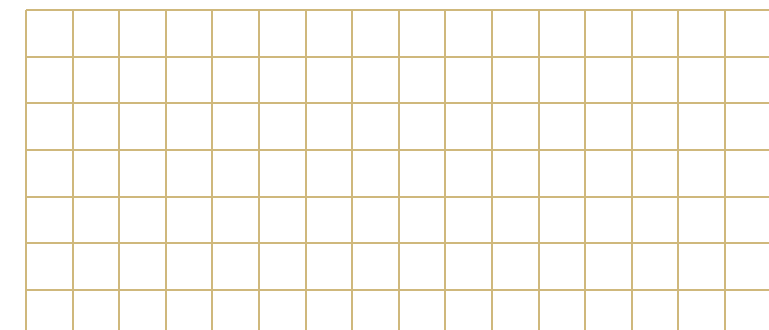
An aerial photograph of the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus. The image shows several large, multi-story buildings with a mix of brick and modern architectural styles. A prominent yellow building with a central tower is visible in the background. The foreground is filled with lush green trees and a paved road. A large, semi-circular stone wall in the lower foreground features the 'University of Colorado' logo and name. A large, semi-transparent yellow banner with the text 'THANK YOU!!!' in bold, black, italicized capital letters is centered across the middle of the image.

THANK YOU!!!





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