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COMPANY SPOTLIGHT

- **Covidien** (Gunbarrel) announced that they added 251 jobs throughout 2008 and plan to add more positions in the next fiscal year beginning in October. In addition, a new 60,000-square-foot building is under construction with completion expected prior to year-end thereby providing an expected total footprint of 460,000 square feet at the growing campus.
- **AspenBio Pharma** (Castle Rock) announced results for 2Q08 - sales for the six months ended June 30 totaled \$475,000, a decrease from the 2007 period. This decrease in sales was primarily attributable to a change in product mix between the two periods combined with the timing of existing customers' order placement, as it is not unusual for the orders from customers to vary by quarter depending upon customers' sales and production needs. At June 30, the Company had outstanding customer open orders totaling approximately \$114,000.
- **Heska** (Ft. Collins) announced results for 2Q08 – sales for the quarter totaled \$22.6M, an increase of 13% from the prior year period. Total revenue consists of product revenue and research, development and other revenue. The Company also posted record second quarter income from operations of \$1.4 million in the three months ended June 30, 2008. Heska Corporation's business is comprised of two reportable segments Core Companion Animal Health and Other Vaccines, Pharmaceuticals and Products.

FINANCE

- The deadline to apply for a **University of Colorado - Colorado Bioscience Research Grant** is Friday 17 October. This statewide program was signed into law in April and provides \$26.5M over five years to grow Colorado's bioscience industry. University researchers are eligible for awards of \$50,000 to \$200,000 for commercial proof-of-concept work; eligible fields include therapeutics, diagnostics and medical devices. Applications and more information are available online at <https://www.cu.edu/techtransfer/>

SQUARE PEGS

- This year's **CU Mini Med School** was announced, set to begin Wednesday 17 September and continuing each Wednesday evening through 12 November. The CU Mini Medical School was founded in 1989 by J. John Cohen, MD, PhD, Professor of Immunology & Medicine. With more than 10,500 graduates to date, the program continues to be the most popular and anticipated event offered by the UC Denver School of Medicine. CU Mini Med School is taught by experts in their fields, who are chosen for their ability to make the technical language of medicine understandable. The program covers the basic science that underlies medicine, topics such as molecular and cell biology, anatomy and physiology, immunology, cancer, virology and human behavior. For more information visit <http://www.uchsc.edu/minimed/registerinfo2008.htm>
- Don't miss out on the next gala **BioBeers** bio-networking event on 3 September. For more information and to RSVP be certain to visit <http://BioBeers.com>.