

## **Congressman Crow Visits the CU Anschutz Medical Campus** <sup>[1]</sup>

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Newly elected Congressman Jason Crow was immersed in the complex process of standing up a brand new Congressional office when he toured the CU Anschutz Medical Campus to learn about their important education, research and clinical missions. The Congressman toured the campus in December, shortly after the elections. Stops on the tour included the [Center for Advancing Professional Excellence](#) <sup>[3]</sup> (CAPE) – where the Congressman learned about how the campus delivers on its mission to provide interdisciplinary education and training to students and residents. The Congressman also took part in a simulation with a standardized patient with CU School of Medicine Dean John Reilly, Jr., Senior Associate Dean for Education Shanta Zimmer, and CAPE Director Elshimaa Basha.

The Congressman was also given an overview of [CellSight](#) <sup>[4]</sup>, the Ocular Stem Cell and Regeneration Program at the [Department of Ophthalmology](#) <sup>[5]</sup>. While there, Mr. Crow met with J Mark Petrash, PhD, Director of Research, and M. Valeria Canto-Soler, PhD, Director of the CellSight program. The group discussed some of the exciting opportunities that lie ahead for biomedical researchers at CU Anschutz Medical Campus.

The third stop on the tour was the [Marcus Institute for Brain Health](#) <sup>[6]</sup>, where the Congressman met with Institute leadership including James P. Kelly, MA, MD, FAAN, FANA, Executive Director, to discuss their efforts to provide the very best evaluation and treatment methods to veterans with mild-to-moderate traumatic brain injury (TBI) symptoms regardless of their ability to pay or discharge status.

In the final stop on the CU Anschutz tour, the Congressman met with Chancellor Don Elliman. They discussed the vision for CU Anschutz as a dynamic academic medical center capable of bringing together research, clinical care, and commercialization all in one place. They also talked about the need to work closely with the surrounding communities to make sure everyone can participate in the success of the campus.



Congressman Jason Crow with J. Mark Petrash and M. Valeria Canto-Soler at CU Anschutz Medical Campus

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