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Café Scientifique

TUESDAY 14 JUNE 2005

at the Wynkoop Brewing Company

http://www.wynkoop.com/

Corner of 18th and Wynkoop in LoDo, Denver
About a block from Light Rail. Thirteen minutes by foot from Auraria.

♫ Where have all the antibiotics gone? ♫

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Bad bugs and no drugs: Is that the future? There are two process going on that contribute to the problem. First, the casual use of antibiotics all over the world has led to the emergence of increasingly-troublesome antibiotic-resistant bacterial strains. Second, pharmaceutical companies are not charities. It costs about a billion dollars to ready a new antibiotic for the market; in most cases that cost will never be recouped in sales. So the companies have little incentive to develop new anti-infectives. What’s to be done? Fifteen years ago we were being told infectious disease was a thing of the past; now we worry that we might all be carried off by some new plague. Dave is in the center of all this, and will help us work through the issues, including what might be done.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME. Come before 6 PM to leave yourself time to get something to eat, or stay and eat afterwards. We end around 8 PM.

There’s no charge. The Wynkoop is generously providing the facility; we buy our own food and drinks. It will be first come, first seated, and seating is limited so that everyone who wants to can be part of the discussion.

The Colorado Café Scientifique is organized by an informal group of President’s Teaching Scholars and other faculty from CU and institutions up and down the Front Range, as well as science types from industry and government. We welcome your input, including ideas for speakers and topics. Bring them with you to the next Café, or e-mail them and any questions to John.Cohen@UCHSC.edu

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