The department of statistics at the University of Connecticut is happy to announce the renewal of the wonderful tradition of the Pfizer Colloquium - Distinguished Statisticians Series, which ran from 1978 until 2012 and included the likes of C. R. Rao, Bradley Efron, D.R. Cox, and many more. For a complete list, see [https://stat.uconn.edu/pfizer-colloquium/](https://stat.uconn.edu/pfizer-colloquium/). The purpose of the Colloquium is to provide a forum for a distinguished statistician to share and disseminate their work in the theory and/or application of statistics, and to foster collaboration among industry, academia and the American Statistical Association. The new series will be called the Pfizer/ASA/UConn Distinguished Statistician Colloquium Series. It will be co-sponsored by Pfizer, the American Statistical Association, and the Department of Statistics at the University of Connecticut.

This year’s speaker at the Pfizer Distinguished Statistician Series will be Prof. Grace Wahba from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. The colloquium will take place on September 26th, 2018, in Storrs, CT, and the interview which will be conducted by Hao Helen Zhang, from the University of Arizona and Yoonkyung Lee, from Ohio State University will be filmed on Thursday, September 27th. We thank Pfizer and the ASA for their generous financial support. We also thank the members of the selection committee.

The event is open to the public. However, space and accommodations may be limited. For inquiries about attending the event, please contact the chair of the local organizing committee, Haim Bar, at haim.bar@uconn.edu.