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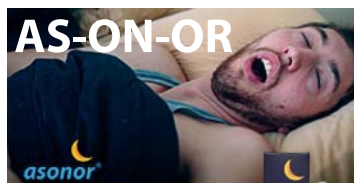
THE NSW Breast Cancer Institute is inviting cancer survivors and their families to enter a new *Life After Five* art competition and online exhibition.

On offer are five \$1000 prizes towards adult education courses and travel to attend the Institute's 'Best Breast Breakfast' in Sydney on 25 Oct.

www.lifeafterfive.com.au is the first Australian website for post-menopausal women who are close to five years of cancer treatment. More info 02 9286 1251.

Bird flu vaccine

US biotech firm Novavax has released the first results of human safety trials of an experimental vaccine against the HN51 strain of avian influenza, saying the study shows it "compares well with any vaccine against pandemic flu.



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HOT Travel Deals

WELCOME to *Pharmacy Daily's* travel feature.

Each week we plan to highlight a couple of great travel deals which we're sure will be of interest to everyone in the pharmacy industry.

Starting to think about the next school holidays? Why not get a luxury beach house on the Sunshine Coast. Grand Mercure Apartments Twin Waters have a variety of apartments and beach houses available. A three bedroom house is just \$380 per night. All guests have access to three swimming pools with BBO facilities, as well as the complimentary activities such as windsurfers, kayaks, catamarans, water trampoline and kids bicycles available at the adjoining Novotel Twin Waters Resort. Paid activities include trampoline and trapeze

classes at Circus Escape, surf and boogie boards and more. Plus an 18 hole golf course is part of the resort. For more see www.grandmercurewinwaters.com.au.

Adventure World have released some great packages in Fiji for travel before Dec 9. Including 3 nights free when you pay for 3 nights at Crusoe's Resort. Prices start at \$1179 ex Sydney and include return air fare, transfers and breakfast. Or 2 nights free for every four paid for at The Warwick Resort, Treasure Island or Shangri-La's Fijian Resort. From \$1219. See www.adventureworld.com.au.

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Sigma denies breakup plan

SIGMA Pharmaceuticals has today downplayed speculation that it's considering breaking up the company, in response to a formal request for information from the Stock Exchange.

The ASX requested that Sigma advise of any details that haven't been announced to the public which could explain a surge in the company's share price.

On Mon Sigma started trading at \$1.18 but surged 16% to \$1.37 yesterday - before dropping back to \$1.22 today.

Sigma's formal response said it's not aware of anything that could explain the recent trading

Herpes education

A HEALTH promotion initiative about herpes has been launched by Pharmacy Self Care, in partnership with GlaxoSmithKline.

The *Herpes Virus* campaign is an education and training resource for pharmacists, pharmacy staff and pharmacy consumers and will be delivered to all Self Care member pharmacies in September.

The package includes a training storyboard, a consumer information health-facts deskpad; health promotion posters, an evaluation questionnaire, and a special edition of the *inPHARMation* magazine.

Materials can also be accessed online through the PSC 'members only' website.

but said it's "working on a number of measures to improve its productivity and profitability."

However it also highlighted an *Australian Financial Review* story on Tue which referred to speculation that "Hedge Funds are positioning for a break-up of the drug maker and wholesaler."

Sigma said it's not aware of the source of the speculation "but can confirm that it is not currently considering a breakup of the company".

Medicine case wins

A child-resistant medicine case has won a competition for the best children's safety accessory.

Jessica Lea Dunn, a student at the University of Technology Sydney, designed the case, which helps safeguard medicines in handbags and nappy bags and is difficult for kids to open.

The competition was established by UTS and Dream Baby to create new product ideas for the company's safety line.

Child health book

A NEW book about Aboriginal children's health and development was launched in Canberra today.

Contexts of Child Development - Culture, Policy and Intervention investigates the history of Australia's colonial policies, intervention programs and education policies.

DISPENSARY CORNER

HOW about a hole in five?

A recent study published in the *Scandinavian Journal of Medicine & Science* shows that playing golf can prolong life by up to five years.

But the chief author says it's not that surprising, as anything that gets you outside for four or five hours and walking at a fast pace must be good for you.

But for those who now think that golf is a safe way to avoid an early grave, think again!

Another study in the *American Journal of Preventative Medicine* shows that now that golf carts are becoming faster, more powerful and more plentiful, there's been a massive jump in cart related injuries.

Between 1990 and 2006 the rate of injuries in the US rose by more than 130%, with almost 150,000 reported in that period.

Apparently the most common cause of cart injury is falling or jumping from the cart.

A CLINIC in Bangladesh has become the center of attention after a double-headed baby boy was born to a farm-worker.

Thousands of people have reportedly gathered to see the boy, named Kiron (Light), with his mother reportedly accepting money in return for 'blessings' from the child.

Win Designer Cosmetics!

CONGRATULATIONS to Daniel Marcuccio of Symbion Hospital Services who was the first subscriber yesterday to tell us the names of three different mascaras - *Double Ended, Long Lash* and *Water Resistant*.

Each day this week *Pharmacy Daily* is giving you the chance to win cosmetics from Designer Brands, courtesy of **Total Beauty Network**. The Budget Brand cosmetics deliver designer quality at a fraction of the price.

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