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### Sernova is Pioneering 'Functional Cures' for Chronic Diseases

Blazing the trail in regenerative medicine

# Valuable & Expanding Portfolio

- Clinical stage company
- Lead program: insulindependent diabetes (T1D)
   Insulin-producing cells + preimplanted Cell Pouch™
   reduces or eliminates the need
   for life-long insulin injections
- Additional programs in thyroid diseases and hemophilia A

#### Cell Pouch System™

- Proprietary technology delivery vehicle
- A flexible, implantable device containing immuno-protected therapeutic cells
- Creates highly vascularized, organ-like environment
- Cells sustainably produce missing therapeutic proteins or hormones

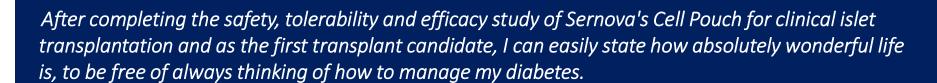
#### Therapeutic Cell Platform

- Creating true 'functional cure' for chronic diseases
  - Not simply treating symptoms with burdensome, incomplete and lifelong medications
- Portfolio potential for multiple conditions in multi billiondollar markets
- Ethically derived therapeutic cell sources



### **T1D Cohort 1 Patient Testimonial Speaks Volumes**

Insulin Independent for ~4 Years



After having T1D for 47 years with approximately 21,535 injections of various cow/pig, synthetic insulins, 34,310 finger sticks, 1,460 urine tests, 15 years on the pump, carbohydrate counting, blood tests, low blood sugar reactions, and doctors...doctors and more doctors' visits, I have now been free of the need for injectable insulin for 15 months\*.

My only wish is that it could have been done sooner.

Cohort 1, Patient 1 – June 2021



### **Executive Summary: Advancing Cell Therapeutics for Functional Cures**

Pipeline of cell therapies combined with the Cell Pouch delivery vehicle for chronic diseases



#### The Cell Pouch System

- Forms an organ-like environment for administration of cell-based therapies
- Ensures complete containment of therapeutic payload and full retrievability
- Established clinical proof of concept in patients with Type 1 Diabetes (T1D)
- Preclinical proof of concept established in Post-operative Hypothyroidism and Hemophilia A



#### Type 1 Diabetes

- Ongoing Phase 1/2 trial with human donor islets in T1D patients
  - 5 of 6 fully transplanted patients in first cohort achieved insulin independence longest, to date, continues ~4 years
- Next-generation T1D therapy: the Cell Pouch System with proprietary iPSC-derived islet-like clusters, in collaboration with Evotec
  - IND/CTA -enabling activities are being conducted across 2024
  - Positive pre-submission regulatory interactions, to date



#### Hemophilia-A

- Development of novel LV-corrected BOECs\* for treatment of Hemophilia A, in collaboration with University of Eastern Piedmont
- Orphan Drug Designation and Rare Pediatric Disease Designation granted by US FDA



#### Hypothyroidism

Advanced preclinical development in Post-operative Hypothyroidism towards IND filing in 2024 for Phase I/II clinical trial



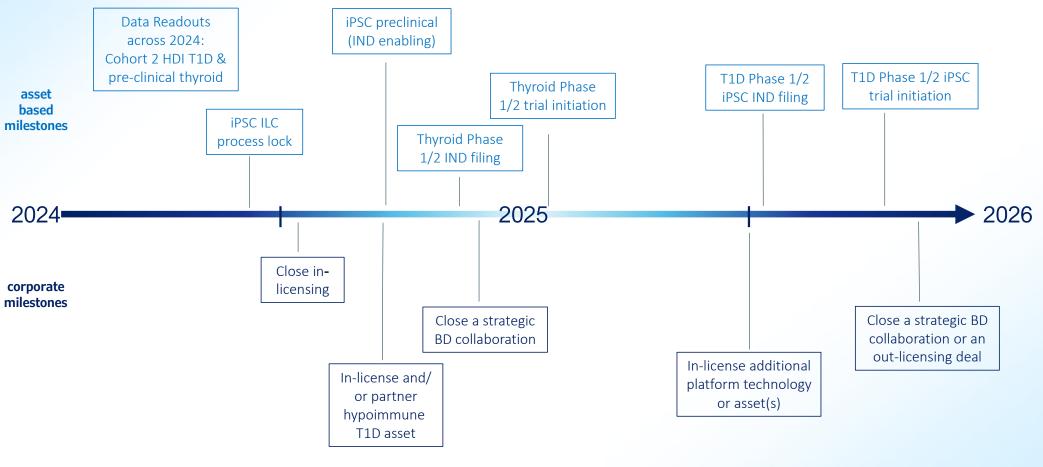
### **New Developments at Sernova**

- 1Q2024: Long term islet survival in Cell Pouch (from P1/2 T1D clinical setting)
  - histological evidence of abundant, vascularized islets expressing insulin throughout the Cell Pouch chambers
  - Patient from cohort 2; > 1 year from transplant; patient has sustained elevated C-peptide and has achieved insulin independence
  - Believed to be a 1<sup>st</sup> in the industry
- 1Q2024: New research program with Astra Zeneca
  - Expanding our work with AZ via an exciting new research collaboration
- 4Q2024: Investigational New Drug (IND) filing for post operative hypothyroidism
  - Based on recent positive findings in post-surgical hypothyroidism pre-clinical model
  - Moving forward with interactions with regulatory agencies in preparation for IND filing
- Malignant cell animal study: further proof that the cell pouch has powerful containment and retrievability capabilities
  - Malignant cells remained alive in cell pouch for 90-day duration of study with NO evidence of malignancy in animal upon pouch explantation
  - Believed to be a 1<sup>st</sup> in the industry
- T1D Human Donor Islet Phase 1/2 Clinical Study: Cohorts 1 and 2 learnings to support iPSC study in 2025
  - Optimal islet dose and density
  - Continue to test various advanced immunosuppressive regimens in preparation for Phase 1/2 iPSC ILC T1D study



# **Today to 2026: Potential Milestones & Value Inflection Points**

Development for T1D, Thyroid Disease & Hem A Continues Across 2024-2026





fundraising activities will be conducted as appropriate

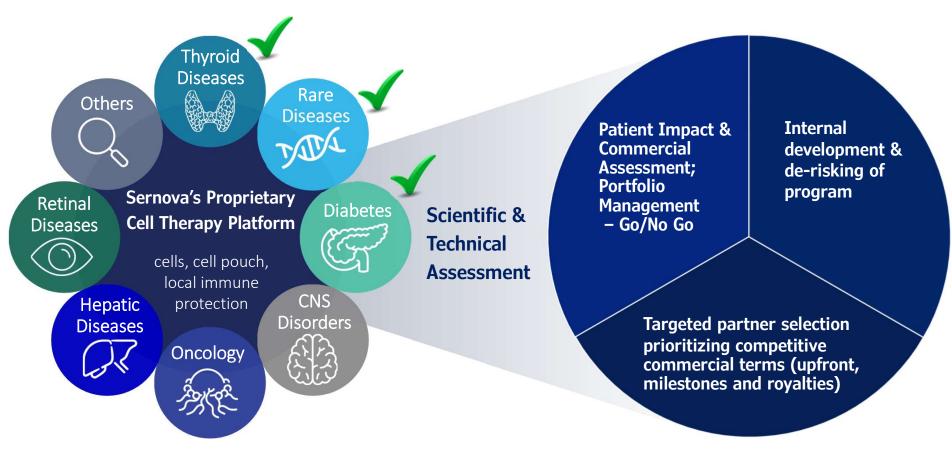
# Pipeline Today – Multiple Indications Impacting patients around the world

Indication	Therapeutic Cell Source	Discovery	Pre-Clinical	Phase 1/2	Phase 3	BLA
Insulin - dependent Diabetes	Human donor islet cells serves as proof of concept for iPSC study					
	iPSC islets evotec					
Hemophilia A	Corrected patient cells Autologous	-		0		0
Hemophilia A	Allograft immune protected stem cells	-				
Thyroid Diseases / Post Operative Hypothyroidism	Thyroid cells Autologous	-				
	Allograft immune protected stem cells	-				



### **Implementing a Portfolio Strategy**

Multiple opportunities to expand our portfolio & to extend our reach to more patients

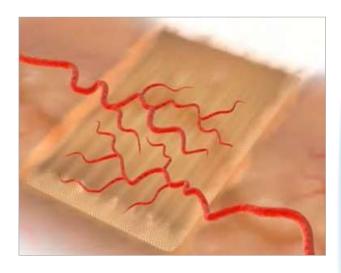




Identified additional chronic disease indications for further pipeline expansion, with a focus on endocrine disorders

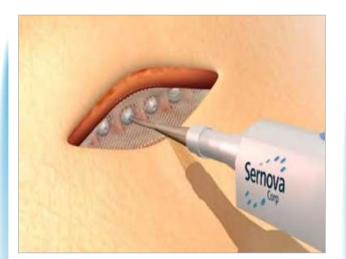
### **Cell Pouch + Therapeutic Provides Organ-Like Environment**

Creates vascularized tissue chambers to allow optimal engraftment of therapeutic cells

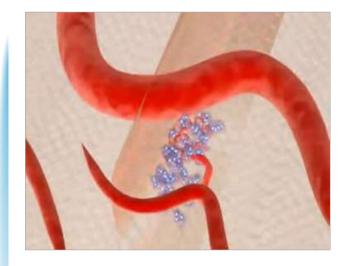


- Cell Pouch is placed deep under the skin in a short procedure
- Vascularized tissue chambers develop, enabling long-term survival and function of

therapeutic cells



 After 3 weeks, therapeutic cells can be transplanted into the vascularized tissue chambers enabling rapid engraftment within tissue matrix



 Therapeutic cells are responsive to endogenous regulation and able to correct biologic dysfunctions by producing missing proteins or hormones



Development of tool kit enabling consistent pouch placement & therapeutic payload transplantation is underway





**Type 1 Diabetes** 

Market, Current SOC & Sernova's Phase 1 | 2 T1D Study

#### **Product Innovation** → **Functional Cure for T1D**

Evolution of program built to expand the treatable patient population



- Insulin-dependent T1D patients with history of hypoglycemic events
- Functional cures observed in Phase 1/2 clinical trial
- Cohort 2- ongoing, optimized dose & islet density





- Broad T1D population
- ➤ ILCs = unlimited supply
- Pre-clinical performance in >35 animals (donor islets =/≈ ILCs)
- ILCs are cryopreserved for improved commercial logistics, providing competitive advantage



# Large Addressable Market for a Functional Cure in T1D

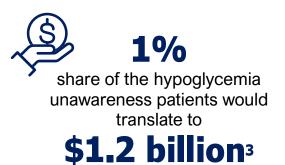
Potential to eliminate daily insulin injections and provide tighter blood sugar control

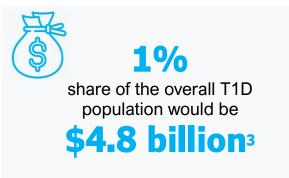




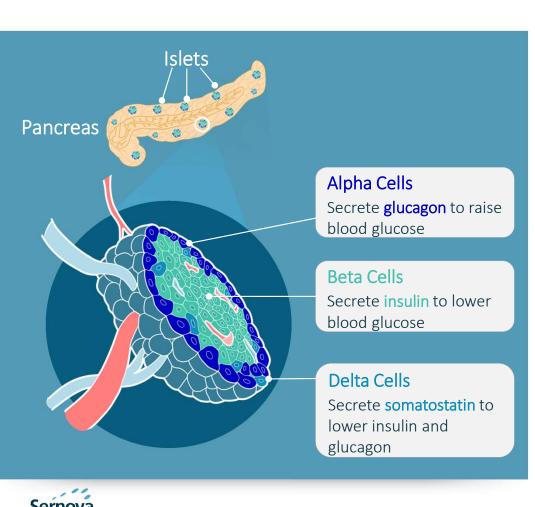
of the 1.6M US adults with T1D experience "hypoglycemia unawareness" characterized by periodic drops in blood glucose, which can lead to loss of consciousness







### Advantages of Pancreatic Islet Cell Therapy vs. Insulin Injection



#### Pancreatic Islets

- Clusters of specialized cells responsible for global regulation of blood glucose
- In T1D a patient's islets become dysfunctional requiring daily insulin injections

#### **Insulin Injections**

Only provides <u>one</u> component of blood glucose control provided by islets



#### **Islet Cell Therapy**

Provides natural restoration of islet function to return normal glucose regulation for T1D patients without insulin injections

 The tight control of blood glucose by islets can reduce or eliminate T1D side effects of heart & kidney disease, blindness & amputations

#### Sernova Cell Pouch System

- Provides a natural, organ-like system similar to a native pancreas
   when populated with donor or stem cell-derived islets
- Multiple advantages over insulin injections for tighter blood sugar control from the combination of alpha, beta and delta cells for a potential "functional cure" for T1D

### Phase 1/2 T1D Multi-Cohort Trial Design

Placement of Cell Pouches has been carefully designed & controlled

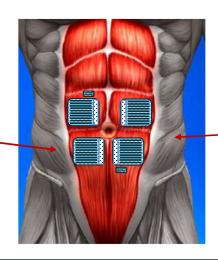
Insulin independence was not an endpoint – but has been achieved

Endpoints				
Primary	Secondary			
Safety and tolerability	Survival of islets in Cell Pouch Reduction in hypoglycemic events Proportion of subjects with HbA1c reduction >1% Proportion of C-peptide events + 20 other endpoints			

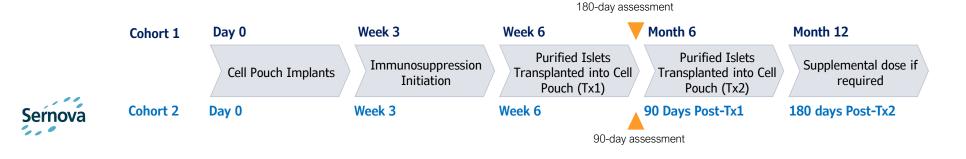
2<sup>nd</sup> Cohort (n=7)

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Cohort (n=6)

- Enrollment completed
- o 8-Channel Cell Pouch
- o 180-day post-Tx1 evaluation
- o Cell Pouch Placement
  - Subfascial
  - Below umbilicus (4)
- o Immunosuppression
  - Thymo Tacrolimus, MMF, Etanercept



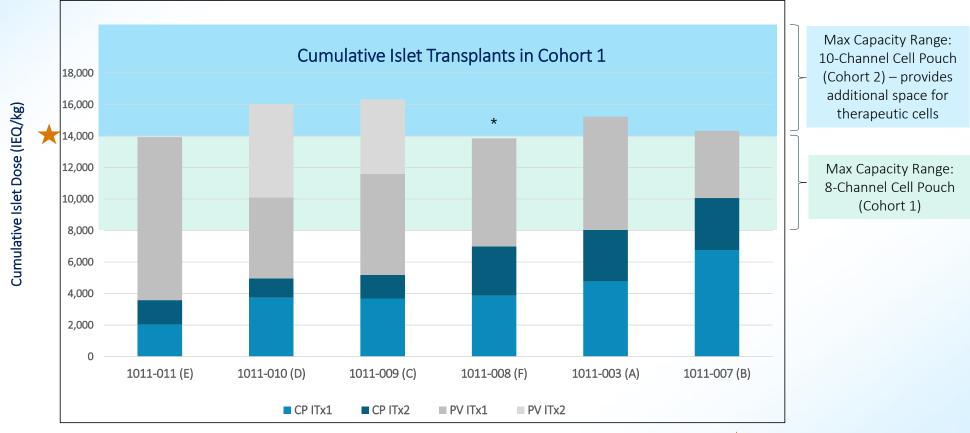
- Fully recruited
- o 10-Channel Cell Pouch (>50% greater capacity)
- o 90-day post-Tx1 evaluation
- o Cell Pouch Placement
  - Subfascial
  - Above (2) and below (2) umbilicus
- o Immunosuppression
  - Thymo Belatacept, ↓ Tacro, Etanercept



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### Insulin Independence Achieved in 5 of 6 Patients, Cohort 1

Clinical POC that Cell Pouch supports the engraftment & therapeutic function of transplanted cells.





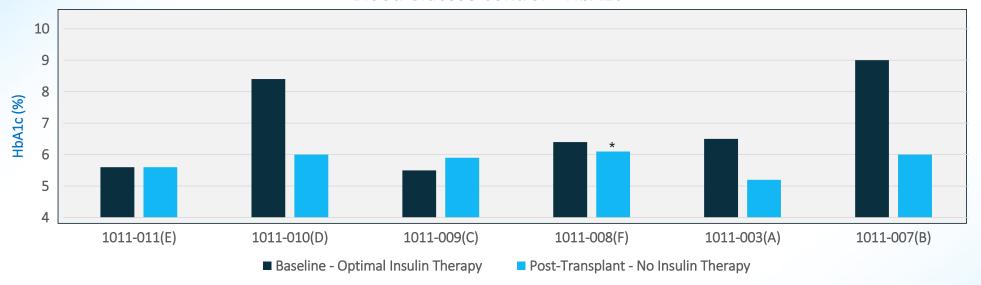
More islets administered via the Cell Pouch, the fewer required in the portal vein



### Glucose Control in the Non-diabetic Range for All Subjects

T1D Phase 1/2 human donor islet study - Cohort 1





- > 5 of 6 patients <u>discontinued insulin</u> therapy
- All patients achieved <u>HbA1c</u> values in the <u>non-diabetic range</u> (≤6.5%)¹



### 5 of 6 Patients Achieved 100% Insulin Independence

Phase 1/2 interim update demonstrates safety & tolerability; 1st cohort provided dosing & cell density insight



Surgical implantation of the Cell Pouch was found to be well tolerated with a favorable safety profile



5 of 6 patients in first Cohort achieved complete insulin independence

- Histological assessments demonstrate surviving, functional islets in Cell Pouches of all study patients that achieved insulin independence
- Following islet transplants to Cell Pouch, only a marginal islet dose transplanted via the portal vein was sufficient to achieve and maintain insulin independence for these patients - the longest continuing for close to 4 years
- Patient 6 (final patient in first Cohort) continues to be followed with a decreased daily insulin dose and HbA1c level in the non-diabetic range
- Insulin independence in 1<sup>st</sup> Cohort with protocol-defined islet transplants led to an understanding of optimal dosing and initiation of 2<sup>nd</sup> Cohort using Cell Pouches with 50% greater cell capacity

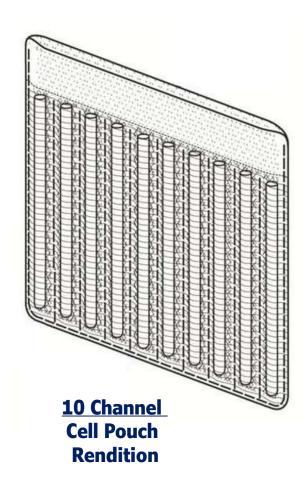


### **2nd Cohort – Favorable First Clinical Update**

Higher capacity allows for higher dosing with optimal islet concentration



- Patient enrollment with implantation commenced November 2022
- 6 patients enrolled and implanted with higher capacity 10 channel
   Cell Pouches
  - 5 patients have received first islet transplant to Cell Pouch
- First assessable patient demonstrating consistent fasting and stimulated serum C-peptide after just one islet dose — initial confirmation of optimal dose and dose density approach
  - Patient achieved insulin independence with single Cell Pouch transplant and marginal dose portal vein transplant (2<sup>nd</sup> Cell Pouch transplant removed without issue due to post-transplant finding of contaminated donor islets)
- Additional interim clinical trial update anticipated Q1 2024





Clear demonstration of full containment and retrievability with the Cell Pouch



**Sernova | Evotec Partnership** 

iPSC-Derived Islet-Like Clusters (ILCs)

# iPSC- Islet Like Clusters (ILCs): Long-Term Antidiabetic Efficacy

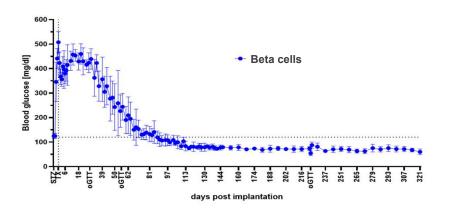
Robust, durable normalization of glucose control in diabetic mice

#### **Preclinical**

- ILCs demonstrated sustained normalization of blood sugar levels in diabetic mice throughout the 320-day study duration
- High insulin-producing beta cell content as well as glucagon and somatostatin (produced by alpha cells and delta cells, respectively), closely mimicking human islets
- Robust and durable insulin independence established in diabetic mice, with blood Cpeptide levels and glucose tolerance test results equivalent to a comparator group with human islets

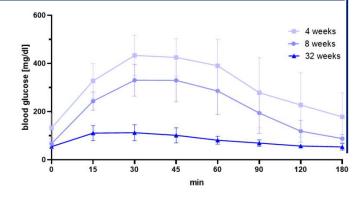


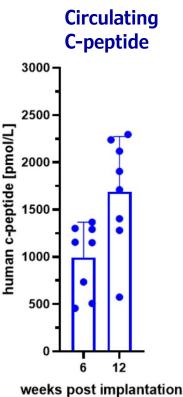




#### Oral Glucose Tolerance Test

Weeks 4, 8 and 32 post-ILC implantation



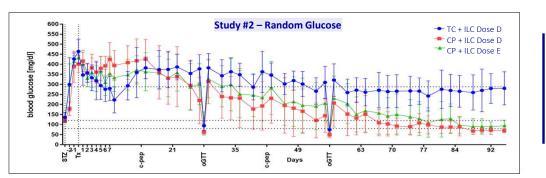


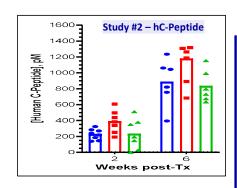


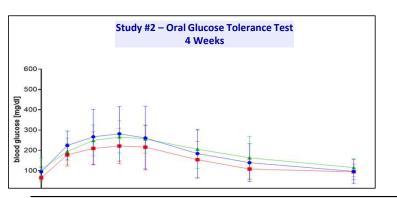


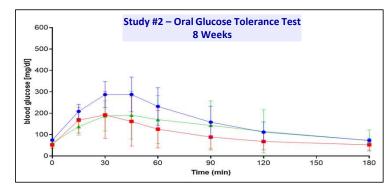
# evoted Sernova Dose- and Cell Pouch-Dependent Blood Glucose **Normalization & C-peptide Levels**

Evotec iPSC ILCs + Sernova Cell Pouch









- Better glucose responsiveness and control with Cell Pouch (CP) compared to control device (TC) with same ILC dose
- Similar glucose control with high and moderate doses
- Improved glucose clearance (OGTT) after 8 weeks compared to 4 week time point indicate maturing ILC engraftment and function
- Highly consistent results across three separate studies with duration up to 6 months
- Consistency of results across multiple preclinical studies with ILCs in Cell Pouch supported selection of clinical dose for evaluation in human trials

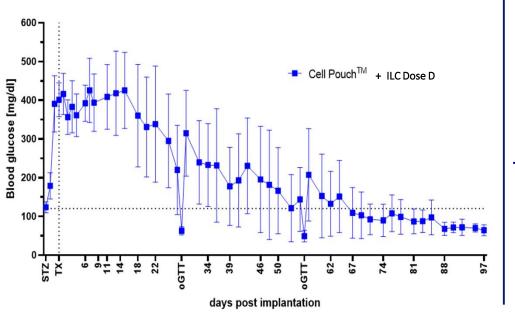


# Strong Anti-Diabetic Activity of ILCs in the Cell Pouch

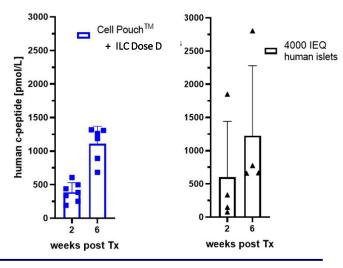
Selected clinical dose equivalent provides rapid normalization of glucose control with human islet-like potency

#### **Preclinical**

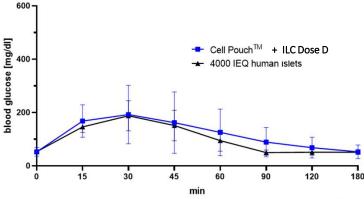
Efficient normalization of random fed glucose



Robust circulating hCpeptide levels comparable to human islets



Efficient glucose clearance in oGTT comparable to human islets at 8 weeks timepoint



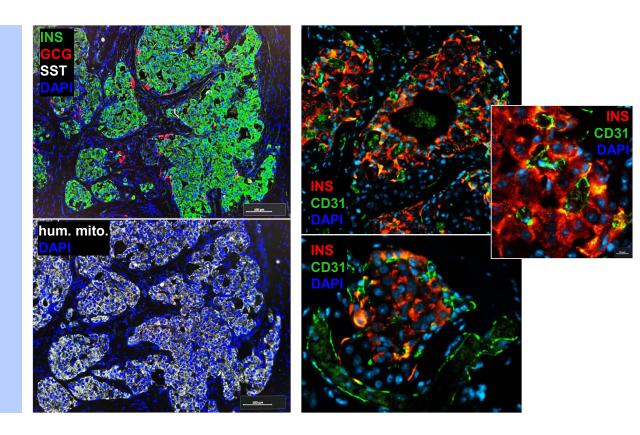




# • evotec | Sernova High β-Cell Fraction & Abundant Vascularization of **ILCs Implanted to Cell Pouch in Diabetic Mouse Model**

#### Histological Assessment at 24 Weeks

- Abundant endocrine cells with high beta cell fraction detectable
  - Alpha and delta cells are observed at lower frequencies
- ILC cells are embedded in host-derived tissue matrix
- High level of vascularization is visible (CD31) throughout ILC graft in Cell Pouch





**Additional Pipeline** 

# Cell Pouch System for Thyroid Diseases | Hypothyroidism

One-and-Done treatment provides attractive alternative to life-long medications

#### **Therapeutic Benefits & Estimated Market**



**Estimated Market Size** 

150,000 ¹ thyroidectomies performed annually in the US alone \$3.6B ² market opportunity

First generation product would utilize patients' own tissue 2<sup>nd</sup> generation stem cell-derived technology for treatment of broader population



Benefits of Sernova Cell Pouch Technology

- Reduce / eliminate daily life-long thyroid medications
- Recover natural feedback loop of thyroid hormones
- Improve clinical **symptoms** from low thyroid hormone levels
- Improve quality of health and life



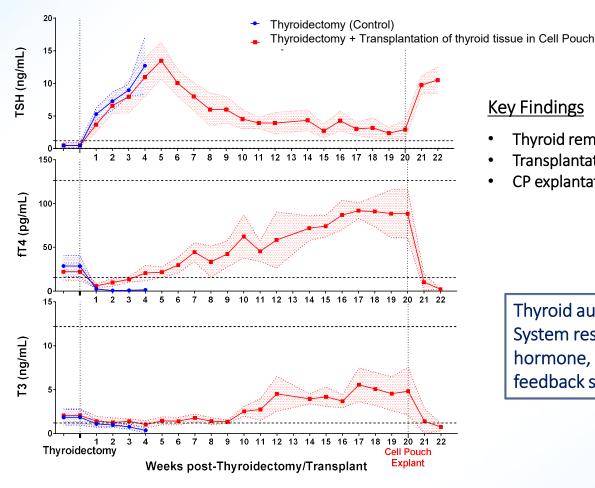
Clinical Approach Positive preclinical proof-of-concept IND-enabling activities ongoing

Phase 1/2 trial preparations are underway



### Thyroid Program: In Vivo Efficacy, Proof of Concept in Rat Study

Thyroid auto-transplantation into Cell Pouch - Measured Blood Hormone Levels



#### **Key Findings**

- Thyroid removal --> T3/fT4 decreased and TSH increased
- Transplantation --> restored T3/fT4 and normalized TSH
- CP explantation --> T3/fT4 decreased and TSH increased

Thyroid auto-transplantation via the Cell Pouch System restored endogenous circulating thyroid hormone, preserving the brain-thyroid hormone feedback system in thyroidectomized rats



# **Cell Pouch System for Hemophilia A**

Improved Safety Compared to Gene Therapy Approaches

#### **Therapeutic Benefits & Estimated Market**



Estimated Market Size

60,000 <sup>1</sup> patients across North America and EU

\$18B in 2021 reaching \$27B by 2031<sup>2</sup> orphan indication at approx. US\$300k annual treatment cost<sup>2</sup>



Benefits of Sernova Cell Pouch Technology

- Reduce or eliminate factor VIII infusions; maintain constant blood levels of factor VIII
- Reduce joint bleeds
- Improve long-term efficacy
- Improve quality of health and life



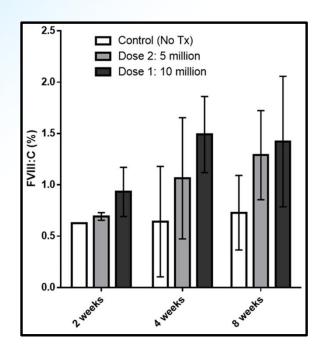
Clinical Approach First generation (autograft) – ongoing optimization of dosing

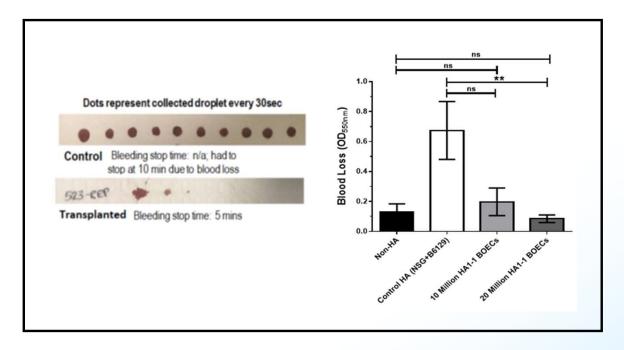
- Treatment involves correction of patient's own blood outgrowth endothelial cells (BOECs)
- FDA has granted Sernova both an **Orphan Drug Designation** and a **Rare Pediatric Disease Designation** for this therapeutic approach
- Next generation (allograft)
  - Off-the-shelf gene edited stem cell technology for hemophilia A patients



### Hemophilia Program: In Vivo Efficacy of FVIII-BOECs Within Cell Pouch

FVIII-corrected BOECs transplanted into the Cell Pouch in NSG-Hemophilic mice





FVIII activity in the blood restored hemostasis in hemophilic mice





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# **Capital Structure | Select Information**

**EXCHANGE:** 

TSX: SVA

**OTCQB:** SEOVF

FSE / XETRA: PSH

FISCAL Y/E: 10/31

52-week Range	\$0.51 - \$1.21		
Shares Outstanding	303.3M		
Market Capitalization	\$210M		
Average Daily Volume	271K		
Cash & Equivalents (Q4/ 2023)	\$21.0M		

#### Analyst Coverage















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