## NanoStem Biotech, LLC

3D Biodegradable NanoScaffold For Tissue Engineering

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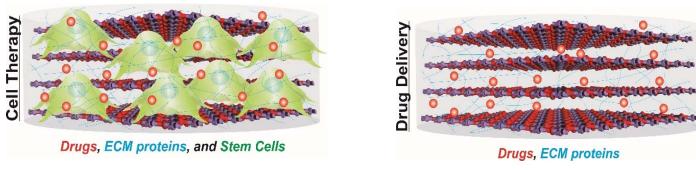
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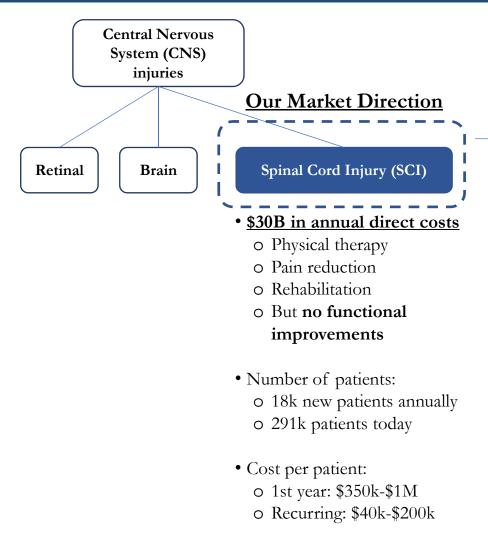
#### Introduction



Key scaffold composition: MnO<sub>2</sub> and ECM proteins

- Our innovation is a <u>3D biomimicry hybrid-MnO<sub>2</sub> nanoscaffold</u> for stem cell therapy and drug delivery
  - o It provides for:
    - Stem cell differentiation
    - Upregulated ECM-protein binding affinity
    - Efficient drug loading with sustained delivery
    - MRI/FRET-based monitoring of drug release

#### Unmet Market Need



#### <u>Why</u>?

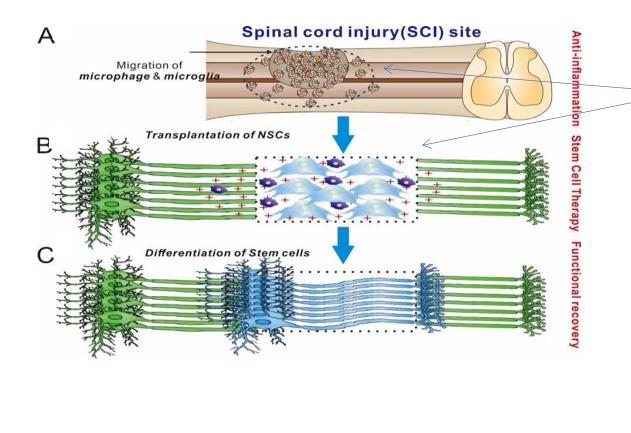
- Large addressable market
- Opportunity to be a market disruptor
- Our team's direct access to KOLs
- Strong supporting in vivo data
- No effective treatment today

Stem cell therapy is emerging as a promising therapy, but faces critical challenges:

- Low cell survival rates after transplantation
- Poor differentiation into specific cells, including neurons
- Limited neurite growth

<sup>\*</sup> Our innovation can be a platform technology. Potential other fields of use: other CNS injuries, cardiovascular, muscularskeletal, and dermatology.

## The Innovation – Summary



Our technology would <u>enable</u> <u>effective stem cell</u> <u>therapy in SCI</u>.

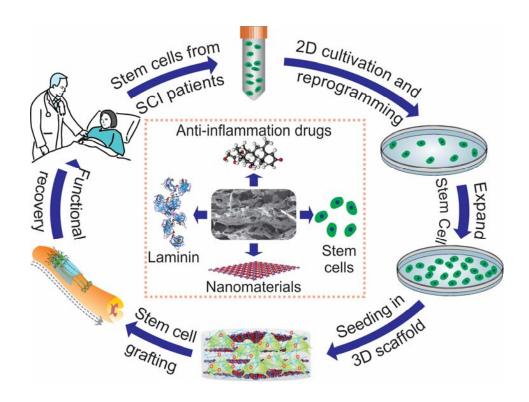
#### **Current Methods**

Companies by Method	Limitations
<ul><li>Direct Cell Injection</li><li>Nipro Corp</li><li>Athersys</li><li>Brainstorm Cell</li></ul>	<ul><li> Uncontrollable stem cell fates</li><li> Cell death</li><li> Unselective differentiation</li></ul>
Scaffold-based Transplantation • Allegro 3D • Vericell	<ul> <li>Requires highly complex growth factor cocktails and procedures</li> <li>Non-injectable</li> </ul>

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## The Innovation – Summary (cont'd)

#### Our technology envisioned in practice

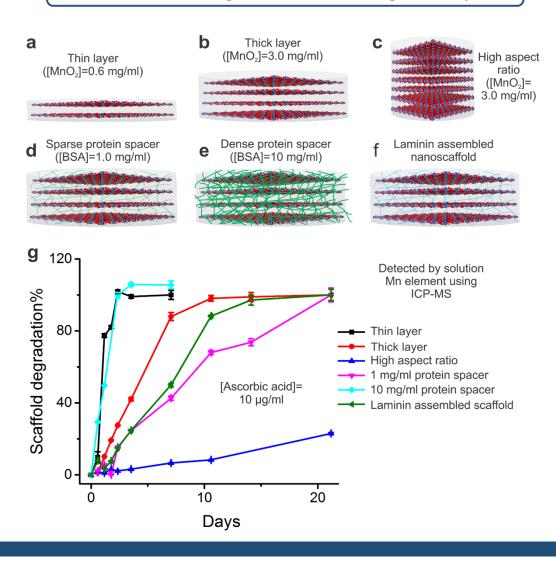


✓ <u>Suppress inflammation</u> and promote host axon

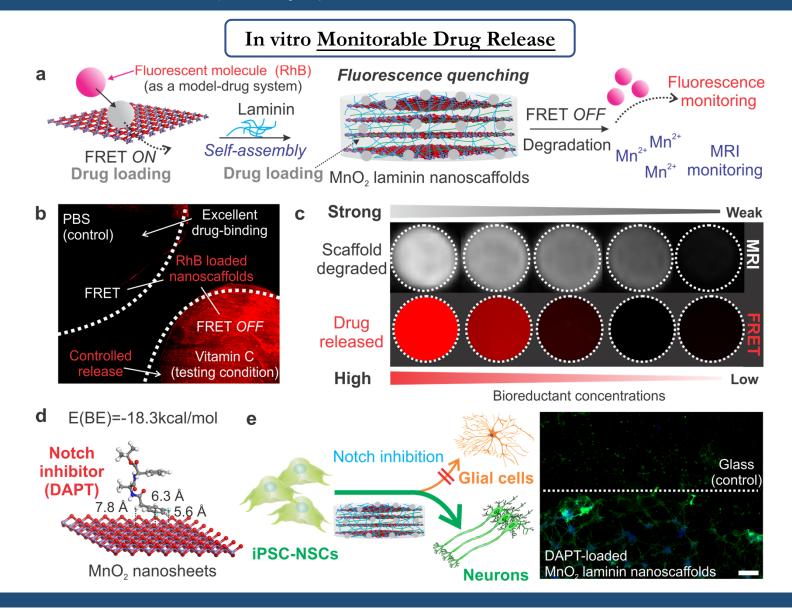
✓ <u>Differentiate into neurons</u> and re-establish the neural circuitry.

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#### Tunable biodegradation and drug delivery

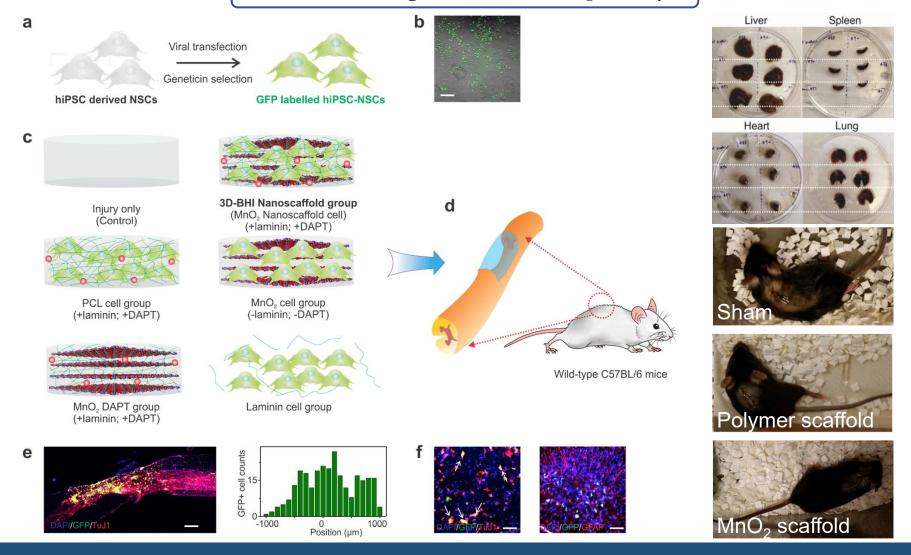


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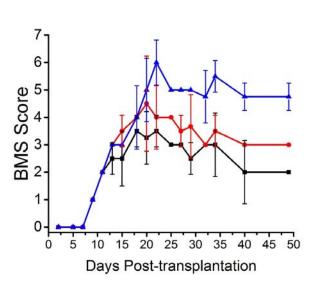
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#### Enhanced neurogenesis and biocompatibility

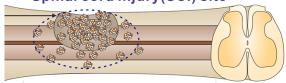


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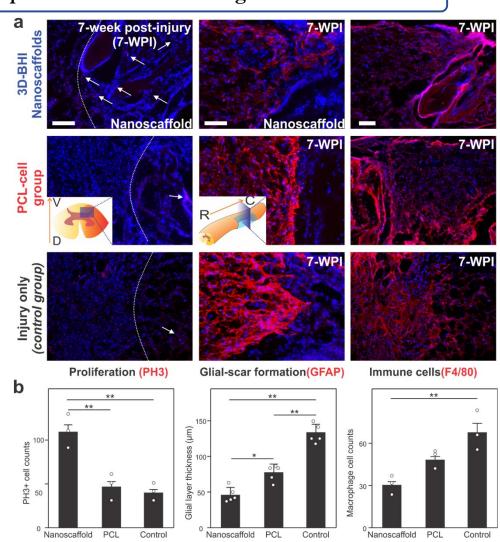
#### Dramatically improved therapeutic effects with lower glial-scar formation



Spinal cord injury(SCI) site

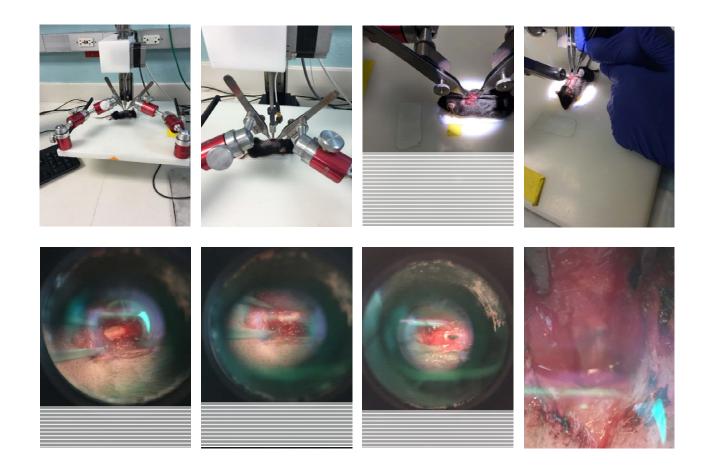


In collaboration with Prof. Li Cai's team at Rutgers

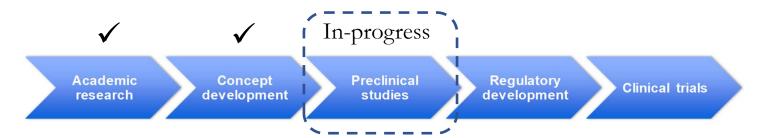


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### Procedures for administration

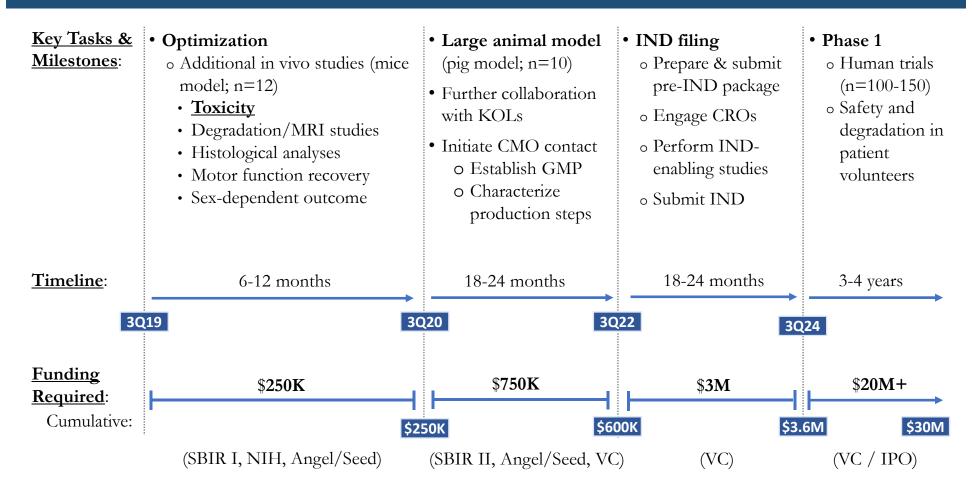


## **Current Stage of Technology**



- Nationalized PCT patent filed Nov 2018
  - o Covers material, methods of use, and manufacture thereof
  - o Strong in vitro and in vivo data
- Published and submitted high-profile articles
  - o Nature Comm., 2018
  - o J. Phys. Chem., 2018
  - o Biomaterials (submitted manuscript)
- Extensive in vitro and in vivo data available upon request

#### **Development Timeline & Funding Requirements**



Other Notables:

• Cumulative Funding To-Date:

o New Jersey Commission on Spinal Cord Research & Rutgers TechAdvance: \$1M

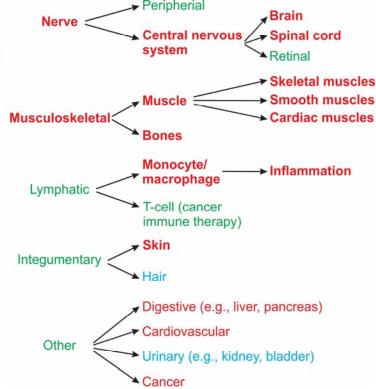
### Long Term Goals

- Leverage our innovation as a platform technology into other fields of use
  - o We see significant number of potential fields of use:

Red fonts: fields of use with high importance;

Green fonts: medium importance

Blue fonts: importance currently unknown



#### The "ASK"

- We are looking for a **seasoned and proven business executive** 
  - o Become a business co-founder
  - o Help refine and execute our market strategy
  - o Lead fund raising efforts for both dilutive and non-dilutive capital
  - o Coordinate regulatory efforts
- We also welcome **partnerships** that can help us advance our technology into commercialization
  - o CMOs/CROs

#### **Current Team**



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