Soliton Completes Keloid POC Clinical Trial Treatments

HOUSTON, Oct. 1, 2019 /PRNewswire/ -- Soliton, Inc., (Nasdaq: SOLY) ("Soliton" or the "Company"), a medical device company with a novel and proprietary platform technology licensed from The University of Texas on behalf of the MD Anderson Cancer Center ("MD Anderson"), today announced it has completed all patient treatments in the keloid scar proof-of-concept trial.

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The study, conducted by Dr. Brenda LaTowsky, Board Certified Dermatologist at Clear Dermatology & Aesthetic Center in Scottsdale, AZ, was designed to evaluate the safety and efficacy for all patients through a 12-week time point. The study will monitor and track the progress of the results at both the 6-week and 12-week timepoints from initial treatment in order to evaluate both the near-term and continued longer-term effects.

Dr. Chris Capelli, President, CEO and co-founder of Soliton, commented, "We eagerly anticipate the follow-up visits with these patients. Demonstrating success in this trial would lay a foundation for Soliton to pursue treatment for many other fibrotic disorders."

Keloid and hypertrophic scars represent wound healing gone awry. A typical example would be a post-surgical scar that grows beyond its boundaries. Existing published research suggests that factors relating to the wound-healing environment (including tension at the boundary of the scar) can cause fibroblasts to become stuck in a hyper-productive loop, unable to stop the production of collagen that leads to the thickened, raised and dense structures often associated with these fibrotic scars.

The American Osteopathic College of Dermatology estimates that keloids affect around 10 percent of people, whereas hypertrophic scars are more common. Keloid scars are more prevalent among populations with darker pigmentation. Hypertrophic scars affect men and women from any racial group equally, although people between the ages of 10 and 30 years old are more likely to be affected.

Market Research Futures estimates the global market for keloid and hypertrophic scars may reach $3.9 billion by 2023. There are few treatment options available for fibrotic scars, which in addition to being disfiguring, can also cause significant discomfort. Currently, the most common treatment is the direct injection of steroids into the scar, however this can require multiple injections and may not be a permanent solution.

About Soliton, Inc.

Soliton, Inc. is a medical device company with a novel and proprietary platform technology licensed from MD Anderson. The Company's first FDA cleared commercial product will use rapid pulses of acoustic shockwaves as an accessory to lasers for the removal of unwanted tattoos. The Company is based in Houston, Texas, and is actively engaged in bringing the Rapid Acoustic Pulse ("RAP") device to the market. The Company believes this "Soliton" method has the potential to lower tattoo removal costs for patients, while increasing profitability to practitioners, compared to current laser removal methods. Soliton is investigating potential additional capabilities of the RAP technology in preclinical testing, including the potential to assist existing fat reduction technology in the reduction of fat as well as improving the appearance of cellulite by creating mechanical stress at the cellular level and inducing significant collagen growth.

For more information about the Company, please visit: http://www.soliton.com

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