

# Condensed Interim Consolidated Financial Statements Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2023 and 2022



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# **NOTICE OF NO AUDITOR REVIEW OF INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Under National Instrument 51-102, Part 4, subsection 4.3(3) (a), if an auditor has not performed a review of the interim financial statements, they must be accompanied by a notice indicating that the financial statements have not been reviewed by an auditor.

The accompanying unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements of the Company have been prepared by and are the responsibility of the Company's management.

The Company's independent auditor Smythe Ratcliffe LLP, Chartered Accountants has not performed a review of these condensed interim consolidated financial statements in accordance with standards established by the Chartered Public Accountants of Canada for a review of interim financial statements by an entity's auditor.

November 27, 2023



# Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Financial Position (Unaudited) (Expressed in Canadian Dollars)

		September 30,	December 31,
As at		2023	2022
Assets	Note	\$	\$
Current			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	24,441	266,519
Amounts receivable		7,130	7,754
Prepaid expenses and deposits		10,198	8,188
		41,769	282,461
Property and Equipment	6	12,118	14,324
Total assets		53,887	296,785
Liabilities			
Current			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	9	654,930	255,441
Total liabilities		654,930	255,441
Shareholders' (Deficiency) Equity			
Share Capital	10	50,192,612	50,065,571
Shares to be issued	10	-	8,400
Reserves	10	8,285,870	8,032,036
Deficit		(59,079,525)	(58,064,663)
Total shareholders' (deficiency) equity		(601,043)	41,344
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity		53,887	296,785

Nature of Business and Going Concern (note 1)

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"William Rascan"	"Derek Ivany"
Director	Director
William Rascan	Derek Ivany



Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Loss and Comprehensive Loss (Unaudited) (Expressed in Canadian Dollars)

		Three	months	Nine months		
For the periods ended September 30,		2023	2022	2023	2022	
Revenue		\$	\$	\$	\$	
Royalty income		28,346	-	28,346	-	
Gross Profit		28,346	-	28,346	-	
I	Vote	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Expenses						
Accounting, legal and audit		23,157	16,094	35,799	51,621	
Amortization	6	736	948	2,206	2,844	
Consulting fees		125,133	148,876	435,855	497,289	
Management fees		55,500	67,500	166,500	166,500	
Office and general		9,982	22,490	27,881	301,351	
Share-based payments	10	-	138,201	273,375	325,828	
Shareholder communications and investor relations		365	12,090	24,089	39,316	
Transfer agent and filing fees		3,985	5,557	13,497	19,241	
Research and development costs		181	42,826	70,637	111,745	
Loss before Other Items		(190,693)	(454,582)	(1,021,493)	(1,515,735)	
Accretion of loan receivable from Just Kush	7	-	52,679	-	125,359	
Recovery of loan	7	6,629	-	6,629	-	
Write-off of accounts receivable		-	(1,608)	-	(6,858)	
Interest Income		-	573	2	573	
		(404.06.0)	(402.020)	(1.01.1.050)	(4.206.664)	
Net Loss and Comprehensive Loss for the Period		(184,064)	(402,938)	(1,014,862)	(1,396,661)	
Loss and Comprehensive Loss Per Share, Basic and Dilu	tod.	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.01)	(0.01)	
2035 and Comprehensive Loss Fer Share, Basic and Dilu	leu	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.01)	(0.01)	
Weighted Average Number of Common Shares Outstand	lina					
- Basic and Diluted	iiig	147,168,660	142,329,660	146,626,711	134,431,788	



Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited) (Expressed in Canadian Dollars)

For the periods ended September 30,	2023	2022
Operating Activities No	te \$	\$
Net loss for the period	(1,014,862)	(1,396,661)
Items not involving cash		
Amortization 6	2,206	2,844
Accretion of loan receivable from Just Kush 7	-	(125,359)
Share-based payments 10	273,375	325,828
Shares issued for services	80,000	-
Changes in non-cash working capital		
Amounts receivable	624	58,144
Prepaid expenses	(2,010)	29,217
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	399,489	(133,796)
Cash Used in Operating Activities	(261,178)	(1,239,783)
Financing Activities		
Shares issued for cash, net of issue costs	-	1,483,000
Proceeds from exercise of warrants	14,100	-
Proceeds from exercise of options	5,000	-
Cash Provided by Financing Activities	19,100	1,483,000
Net change in cash	(242,078)	243,217
Cash, Beginning of the Period	266,519	218,733
Cash, End of the Period	24,441	461,950

Supplemental Disclosures with Respect to Cash Flows (note 11)



Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity (Deficiency) (Unaudited) Three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 (Expressed in Canadian Dollars)

	Note	Number of Shares	Share Capital	Shares to be Issued	Reserves	Deficit	Total
			\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance, December 31, 2021		111,503,077	48,368,156	-	7,689,723	(55,598,777)	459,102
Share-based payments	10	29,670,000	1,483,500	-	-	-	1,483,500
Share issuance cost	10	-	(500)	-	-	-	(500)
Share-based payments	10	-	-	-	325,828	-	325,828
Shares issued for settlement of debt	10	1,056,583	63,395	-	-	-	63,395
RSU settlement	10	100,000	6,000	-	(6,000)	-	-
Issuance of warrants	10	-	(148,350)	-	148,350	-	-
Net loss for the period		-	-	-	-	(1,396,661)	(1,396,661)
Balance, September 30, 2022		142,329,660	49,772,201	-	8,157,901	(56,995,438)	934,664
Share-based payments	10	-	-	-	2,625	-	2,625
Issuance of warrants	10	-	148,350	-	(125,490)	-	22,860
RSU settlement	10	50,000	3,000	-	(3,000)	-	=
Shares issued for services	10	2,739,000	142,020	-	-	-	142,020
Exercise of warrants	10	-	-	8,400	-	-	8,400
Net loss for the period		-	-	-	-	(1,069,225)	(1,069,225)
Balance, December 31, 2022		145,118,660	50,065,571	8,400	8,032,036	(58,064,663)	41,344
Share-based payments	10	-	-	-	273,375	-	273,375
RSU settlement	10	250,000	16,500	-	(16,500)	-	=
Shares issued for services	10	1,400,000	80,000	-	-	-	80,000
Exercise of options	10	100,000	8,041	-	(3,041)	-	5,000
Exercise of warrants	10	300,000	22,500	(8,400)	-	-	14,100
Net loss for the period		_		-	_	(1,014,862)	(1,014,862)
Balance, September 30, 2023		147,168,660	50,192,612	_	8,285,870	(59,079,525)	(601,043)



Notes to the Condensed Interim Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited) For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 (Expressed in Canadian Dollars)

#### 1. NATURE OF BUSINESS AND GOING CONCERN

The Company was incorporated on October 27, 2004 in the province of British Columbia, based in Vancouver, as "Weststar Resources Corp.", a mineral exploration company. On October 21, 2016, the Company completed a change of business to the cannabis industry and changed its name to "Liberty Leaf Holdings Ltd." On June 26, 2020, the Company changed its business to life sciences and changed its name to "Nova Mentis Life Science Corp." The Company's shares trade on the Canadian Securities Exchange (the "CSE") under the name "Nova Mentis Life Science Corp." and stock symbol "NOVA". Nova also trades on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange ("FSE") under the symbol "HN3Q", and on the New York-based OTCQB Venture Market ("OTCQB") under the stock symbol "NMLSF".

The principal address of the Company is located at 700 – 838 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, V6C 0A6.

These condensed interim consolidated financial statements ("Interim Financial Statements") have been prepared on the basis of accounting principles applicable to a going concern, which assumes that the Company will continue in operation for the foreseeable future and will be able to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of operations.

Several adverse conditions cast significant doubt on the validity of this assumption. The Company incurred an operating loss during the period ended September 30, 2023 of \$1,014,862 (September 30, 2022 - \$1,396,661). As at September 30, 2023, the Company has an accumulated deficit of \$59,079,525 (December 31, 2022 - \$58,064,663), has limited resources, and no sources of operating cash flow. There are no assurances that sufficient funding will be available to continue operations for an extended period of time.

The application of the going concern concept is dependent upon the Company's ability to satisfy its liabilities as they become due and to obtain the necessary financing to fund its subsidiaries or enter into agreements with other medicinal psychedelic-related businesses. Management is actively engaged in the review and due diligence on opportunities of merit in the medicinal psychedelic sector and is seeking to raise the necessary capital to meet its funding requirements. There can be no assurance that management's plan will be successful. If the going concern assumption were not appropriate for these consolidated financial statements, then adjustments may be necessary in the carrying value of assets and liabilities, the reported expenses and the statements of financial position classifications used. Such adjustments could be material.

#### 2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

#### a) Statement of compliance

These Interim Financial Statements are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") and interpretations issued by the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee ("IFRIC"). These condensed Interim Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34, *Interim Financial Reporting*. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information required for full interim financial statements required by IFRS as issued by IASB and interpretations issued by IFRIC.



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#### b) Basis of measurement

These Interim Financial Statements have been prepared using the historical cost basis, except for certain financial instruments, which are measured at fair value. These consolidated financial statements have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting, except for cash flow information.

# c) Principles of consolidation

The Interim Financial Statements of the Company consolidate the accounts of the Company and its whollyowned subsidiaries as at September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022:

			Ownership
	Country	Principal Activity	interest
Nova Mentis Biotech Corp.	Canada	Psilocybin research & development	100%
SwabAi Diagnostics Inc. <sup>1</sup>	Canada	Psilocybin research & development	100%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Formerly, Pilz Bioscience Corp.

A subsidiary is consolidated from the date upon which control is acquired by the Company and all material intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated on consolidation. Control is achieved when the Company is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee.

#### d) Approval of the consolidated financial statements

The Interim Financial Statements of the Company for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 were approved and authorized for issue by the Board of Directors on November 27, 2023.

#### e) Use of estimates and judgments

The preparation of these Interim Financial Statements requires management to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and reported amounts of expenses during the reporting period. Actual outcomes could differ from these estimates, which, by their nature, are uncertain. The impacts of such estimates are pervasive throughout the consolidated financial statements, and may require accounting adjustments based on future occurrences. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimate is revised and may affect both the period of revision and future periods.

The key areas of judgment applied in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities is as follows:

# • Research and development expenditures

Costs to develop products that will be sold are capitalized to the extent that the criteria for recognition as intangible assets in IAS 38 Intangible Assets are met. Those criteria require that the product is technically, and economically feasible, which management assessed based on the attributes of the development project, perceived user needs, industry trends and expected future economic conditions. Management considers these factors in aggregate and applies significant judgment to determine whether the product is feasible. The Company has not capitalized any product development costs as at September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022.



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#### Going concern

The assessment of the Company's ability to continue as a going concern and to raise sufficient funds to pay for its ongoing operating expenses, meet its liabilities for the ensuing year, and to fund planned and contractual exploration programs, involves significant judgment based on historical experience and other factors including expectation of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

# · Significant influence

Where the Company holds a significant shareholding in an investment and has the power to exercise significant influence through common officers and board members, such an investment is treated as an associate. Management applies judgment to determine when the Company loses significant influence over an investee by assessing whether it has lost the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of that investee.

#### • Determination of control in business acquisitions

The determination of the acquirer in business acquisitions is subject to judgment and requires the Company to determine which party obtains control of the combining entities. Management applies judgment in determining control by assessing the following three factors: whether the Company has power; whether the Company has exposure or rights to variable returns; and whether the Company has the ability to use its power to affect the amount of its returns. In exercising this judgment, management reviewed the representation on the Board of Directors and key management personnel, the party that initiated the transaction, and each of the entities' activities.

The assessment of whether an acquisition constitutes a business is also subject to judgment and requires the Company to review whether the acquired entity contains all three elements of a business, including inputs, processes and the ability to create output.

The key estimates applied in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities are as follows:

• The inputs used in assessing the recoverable amount of deferred tax assets
The Company estimates the expected manner and timing of the realization or settlement of the carrying value of its assets and liabilities and applies the tax rates that are enacted or substantively enacted on the estimated dates of realization or settlement.

#### • Share-based payments

The value of share-based payments is subject to the limitations of the Black-Scholes option pricing model that incorporates market data and involves uncertainty in estimates used by management in the assumptions. Because the Black-Scholes option pricing model requires the input of highly subjective assumptions, including the volatility of share prices, changes in subjective input assumptions can materially affect the fair value estimate.

• Fair value of equity issuances for non-cash consideration

In instances where the fair value of assets received, or services rendered cannot be reliably measured management estimates the fair value of common shares issued as non-cash consideration by reference to the closing trading price of its shares in active markets. In instances where common shares issued are subject



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to internally imposed hold periods, management applies a discount to the value of the shares. A discount rate of 4.8% was applied to certain shares issued in accordance with the acquisition of Pilz which were subject to a voluntary pooling agreement.

• Fair value of investment in Just Kush Enterprises Ltd.

The Company determined the fair value of its interest in its investment in Just Kush on the date that significant influence was lost. The determination of fair value requires management to make estimates regarding the future cash flows expected to flow to the entity from its investment.

Actual results could differ from those estimates. Key judgments and estimates made by management with respect to those areas noted previously have been disclosed in the notes to the consolidated financial statements, as appropriate.

• Loan receivable from Just Kush Enterprises Ltd.

The loan is recorded at the estimated recoverable amount. Management applies judgment in estimating the recoverable amount as well as the timing of receipt of cash.

Management also uses estimation in determining the effective interest rate used to measure the loan. Management applies judgment in determining an appropriate discount rate based on the debtor's credit worthiness.

# 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies have been applied by the Company consistently throughout the period for purposes of these Interim Financial Statements. Additional details regarding Nova's accounting policies, the critical judgments, estimates and assumptions, and how they are applied in the preparation of these Interim Financial Statements, are reflected in note 3 of the Company's Annual Financial Statements for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021.

• Standards, amendments and interpretations issued and effective for the year ended December 31, 2023

The Company will be required to adopt the following standards and amendments issued by the IASB as described below.

IAS 1 – In February 2021, the IASB issued 'Disclosure of Accounting Policies' with amendments that are intended to help preparers in deciding which accounting policies to disclose in their financial statements. The amendments are effective for year ends beginning on or after January 1, 2023. Presentation of Financial Statements ("IAS 1") was amended in January 2020 to provide a more general approach to the classification of liabilities under IAS 1 based on the contractual arrangements in place at the reporting date. The amendments clarify that the classification of liabilities as current or noncurrent is based solely on a company's right to defer settlement at the reporting date. The right needs to be unconditional and must have substance. The amendments also clarify that the transfer of a company's own equity instruments is regarded as settlement of a liability, unless it results from the exercise of a conversion option meeting the definition of an equity instrument. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on January 1, 2023.



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IAS 8 – In February 2021, the IASB issued 'Definition of Accounting Estimates' to help entities distinguish between accounting policies and accounting estimates. The amendments are effective for year ends beginning on or after January 1, 2023.

IFRS 10 – Consolidated Financial Statements ("IFRS 10") and IAS 28 – Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures ("IAS 28") were amended in September 2014 to address a conflict between the requirements of IAS 28 and IFRS 10 and clarify that in a transaction involving an associate or joint venture, the extent of gain or loss recognition depends on whether the assets sold or contributed constitute a business. The effective date of these amendments is yet to be determined; however early adoption is permitted.

IFRS 17 – Insurance Contracts ("IFRS 17") is a new standard that requires insurance liabilities to be measured at a current fulfillment value and provides a more uniform measurement and presentation approach for all insurance contracts. These requirements are designed to achieve the goal of a consistent, principle-based accounting for insurance contracts. IFRS 17 supersedes IFRS 4, Insurance Contracts, and related interpretations.

The Company is currently assessing the impact of these standards.

## 4. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

On September 30, 2023, cash and cash equivalents include \$24,441 (December 31, 2022 - \$266,519) in the operating bank accounts held with major Canadian financial institutions.

## 5. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Company has exposure to the following risks from its use of financial instruments:

- a) Credit risk;
- b) Liquidity risk; and
- c) Market risk.
- a) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. The Company manages credit risk, in respect of cash and cash equivalents, by placing cash with major Canadian financial institutions. As at September 30, 2023, the Company is therefore exposed to credit risk with respect to cash and cash equivalents of \$24,441 (December 31, 2022 - \$266,519). Furthermore, the Company is exposed to credit risk associated with the Loan Receivable from Just Kush. Management assesses the credit worthiness of entities it advances loans to prior to and on a periodic basis. If it is determined that the counterparty is undergoing financial difficulty management estimates a recoverable amount and books an allowance for expected credit losses.

# b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Company's approach to managing liquidity risk is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquid funds to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without



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incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Company's reputation. As of September 30, 2023, the Company has cash and cash equivalents of \$24,441 (December 31, 2022 - \$266,519) to meet contractual financial liabilities of \$654,930 (December 31, 2022 - \$255,441). All of the liabilities presented as accounts payable and accrued liabilities are due within 90 days of September 30, 2023.

#### c) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as foreign exchange rates and interest rates, will affect the Company's income or the value of its holdings of financial instruments. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposure within acceptable parameters, while optimizing the return on capital. As at September 30, 2023, management considers the Company's market risk to be low as it held no short-term investments at the period-end date (December 31, 2022 - \$nil).

#### 6. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

	Computer	Office	<u>.</u>
	Equipment	Equipment	Total
Cost	\$	\$	\$
Balance, December 31, 2021	16,173	39,880	56,053
Additions	-	-	_
Balance, December 31, 2022	16,173	39,880	56,053
Additions	-	-	-
Balance, September 30, 2023	16,173	39,880	56,053
Accumulated Amortization			
Balance, December 31, 2021	15,691	22,246	37,937
Amortization	265	3,527	3,792
Balance, December 31, 2022	15,956	25,773	41,729
Amortization	90	2,116	2,206
Balance, September 30, 2023	16,046	27,889	43,935
Net Book Value			
Net Book Value, December 31, 2022	217	14,107	14,324
Net Book Value, September 30, 2023	127	11,991	12,118

#### 7. LOAN RECEIVABLE FROM JUST KUSH

On December 6, 2017, the Company signed an agreement to acquire shares of Just Kush Enterprises Ltd. ("Just Kush", or the "borrower"), a private British Columbia company with an ACMPR license.

Pursuant to the agreement, the Company had advanced amounts to Just Kush to assist them in building out a facility to carry out operations under its ACMPR license.

Due to deteriorating market conditions in the cannabis industry and a general disagreement between the stakeholders involved regarding terms of the original purchase agreement and whether the Company had



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an obligation to contribute capital to Just Kush, the Company entered into a rescission agreement dated March 19, 2021 with Just Kush such that the original purchase agreement is null and void. In accordance with the rescission agreement, shares involved in the original purchase agreement were returned to capital, and Just Kush had was required to repay a principal sum of \$2,037,839 representing advances made by the Company to Just Kush under the original purchase agreement.

Just Kush had agreed repay the principal amount on or before March 30, 2027 in monthly installments commencing on March 30, 2022, of the greater of \$15,000 or 10% of the borrower's gross revenue for the immediately preceding calendar month. Just Kush failed to commence repayment of the loan. On May 1, 2022, Nova entered into a forbearance agreement with Just Kush to waive its rights to enforce the rescission agreement with respect to Just Kush's default, and to grant Just Kush the right to delay the repayment of the loan, and they may request, in writing, additional three-month extensions together with an extension fee of \$40,000 for each extension to be added to its indebtedness to Nova. On each of July 31, 2022 and October 31, 2022, Just Kush submitted a written request to extend repayment of the loan to November 1, 2022, and February 1, 2023, respectively. Extension fees of \$80,000 were added to the principal of the loan included on the Statements of Financial Position as at December 31, 2022.

At December 31, 2021, the fair value of the loan based on the principal sum of \$2,117,839, and using an effective interest rate of 29%, was \$535,271. The Company was recognizing accretion on the loan receivable during fiscal 2022, however, at December 31, 2022, management believed that the future recoverability of the loan was uncertain. As such, during the year ended December 31, 2022, Nova recorded an impairment loss of \$764,776 on the fair value of the loan.

In June 2023, Nova signed an amended and restated loan agreement which stipulated that Just Kush would make payments against the loan based on their monthly gross sales and a sliding scale of tiered repayment rates. During the period ended September 30, 2023, the Company received \$6,629 with respect to repayment of the loan.

#### 8. SHARES FOR SERVICES

#### **Marketing**

In March 2023, the Company entered into an agreement with Octagon Media Corp., doing business as Wall Street Reporter ("WSR"), whereby WSR shall provide marketing services for a period of four (4) months commencing on March 27, 2023, in consideration of 1,400,000 common shares in the capital of the Company (the "Shares") at a deemed price of approximately \$0.057 per Share. The Shares are subject to a statutory hold period of four months and one day from the date of issuance.

#### Clinical Research

On November 17, 2022, Nova announced that it had entered into a research services agreement (the "Agreement") with KGK Sciences Inc. ("KGK") whereby KGK shall provide Clinical Research Organization services to oversee Nova's Health Canada Phase 2A Clinical Trial.

Pursuant to the Agreement, KGK shall provide the services in consideration of the Company issuing units of the Company (the "Units") upon certain performance milestones being met, in the aggregate amount of up to \$488,951. Each Unit shall consist of one common share in the capital of the Company (the "Shares") and one-half of one warrant to purchase common shares in the capital of the Company ("Warrants"). The Units



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shall be issued at a deemed price equal to the greater of (a) \$0.05 and (b) the closing market price of the Company's Shares on the Canadian Securities Exchange ("CSE") less the maximum allowable discount under the policies of the CSE, at the time of issuance. The Warrants shall be valid for a term of two (2) years from issuance and each whole warrant shall be exercisable at a price equal to the greater of (a) \$0.075 and (b) the closing market price of the Company's Shares on the CSE, at the time of issuance. The Units shall be subject to a four month and one day hold period commencing on the day of issuance.

On November 23, 2022, the Company issued 1,143,000 units (the "Units") in connection with the Agreement at a deemed price of \$0.05 per Unit. A total of 1,143,000 shares and 571,500 warrants were issued in connection with this issuance for a total deemed value of \$57,150. The fair value of the shares on the date of issuance was \$0.03 per share and \$34,290 was added to share capital on the statement of financial position for the year ended December 31, 2022. The residual value \$22,860 was assigned to the warrants and added to reserves on the statement of financial position.

On December 28, 2022, the Company issued 1,596,000 units (the "Units") in connection with the Agreement at a price of \$0.0675 per Unit for a deemed value of \$107,730. A total of 1,596,000 shares and 798,000 warrants were issued in connection with this issuance. The fair value of the shares at the time of issuance was \$0.09 leaving a residual value of nil assigned to the warrants.

#### 9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Related parties as defined by IAS 24 - *Related Party Disclosures* include members of the Board of Directors, key management personnel, and any companies controlled by these individuals. Key management personnel include those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing, and controlling activities of the Company being directors and executive management, comprising of the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer.

The transactions noted below are in the normal course of business and are approved by the Board of Directors in adherence to conflict-of-interest laws and regulations.

These amounts of key management compensation and other related party transactions are included in the amounts shown on the consolidated statements of loss and comprehensive loss for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022:

	Three months		Nine month		
For the period ended September 30,	2023	2022	2023	2022	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Consulting fees	24,000	35,000	111,000	95,000	
Management fees	55,500	55,500	166,500	166,500	
Shareholder communications	-	7,500	-	22,500	
Share-based payments	-	42,567	197,550	162,567	

As at September 30, 2023, accounts payable and accrued liabilities included \$348,204 (December 31, 2022 - \$136,578) due to officers and directors or companies controlled by current or former officers and directors. The amounts due are non-interest-bearing, unsecured, and without stated terms of repayment.



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#### 10. SHARE CAPITAL

#### **Authorized share capital**

Unlimited number of common shares without par value.

# a) Issued share capital

# During the period ended September 30, 2023

In December 2022, the Company received proceeds of \$8,400 for the exercise of 112,000 warrants at an exercise price of \$0.075 per warrant. These shares were issued in January 2023.

On January 9, 2023, 188,000 shares were issued in connection with warrants that were exercised at a price of \$0.075 for proceeds of \$14,100.

On January 18, 2023, 150,000 shares were issued to settle RSUs.

On February 14, 2023, 100,000 shares were issued for an options exercise at a price of \$0.05 for proceeds of \$5,000.

On March 30, 2023, 1,400,000 shares were issued for services related to marketing (note 8).

On May 15, 2023, 50,000 shares were issued to settle RSUs.

On June 29, 2023, 50,000 shares were issued to settle RSUs.

#### During the year ended December 31, 2022

On January 13, 2022, the Company issued 1,056,583 common shares in settlement of debt to a consultant of the Company. These shares were fair valued at \$0.06 to settle \$63,395 in debt (note 8).

On March 15, 2022, the Company announced the closing of a non-brokered private placement through the issuance of 29,670,000 units at \$0.05 per unit for total gross proceeds of \$1,483,500 (the "Placement"). Each unit is comprised of one common share of the capital of the Company and one common share purchase warrant. Insiders and parties related to the Company subscribed for 2,550,000 units for gross proceeds of \$127,500. In addition to this, 100,000 RSUs were settled through the issuance of 100,000 shares of the Company.

On November 23, 2022 and December 28, 2022, the Company issued 1,143,000 shares at a fair value of \$34,290, and 1,596,000 shares at a fair value of \$107,730, respectively, in connection with the research services agreement with KGK (note 10).

On December 13, 2022, 50,000 shares of the Company were issued to settle 50,000 RSUs.



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# b) Warrants

## During the period ended September 30, 2023

In January 2023, 300,000 warrants were exercised at an exercise price of \$0.075

On September 15, 2023, 29,370,000 warrants expired, unexercised. The warrants had a weighted average exercise price of \$0.075.

#### During the year ended December 31, 2022

On March 15, 2022, the Company issued 29,670,000 warrants in connection with a non-brokered private placement unit financing (See note 10a). Each warrant entitles the holder to purchase one common share at a price of \$0.075 per share for a period of 18 months from the date of issue. The Company applied the residual value method to allocate the proceeds from the issuance of units between common shares and warrants. Under this method, the proceeds are allocated first to share capital based on the fair value of the common shares at the time the units are priced and any residual value is allocated to the warrants reserve. The fair value of the Company's common shares at the time of pricing the units was \$0.045, and the units were sold for \$0.05 per unit, leaving a residual value of \$0.005, or \$148,350, to be assigned to the warrants.

On November 23, 2022 and December 28, 2022, the Company issued 571,500 and 798,000 warrants, respectively, in connection with the research services agreement with KGK (note 8).

Warrant transactions and the number of warrants outstanding are summarized as follows:

		Weighted Average
	Number of	<b>Exercise Price</b>
	Warrants	\$
Balance, December 31, 2021	-	-
Issued	31,039,500	0.075
Balance, December 31, 2022	31,039,500	0.075
Exercised	(300,000)	0.075
Expired	(29,370,000)	0.075
Balance, September 30, 2023	1,369,500	0.073

The following warrants were outstanding as at September 30, 2023:

	Exercise Price	Number of Warrants	Weighted Average Remaining Life
<b>Expiry Date</b>	\$	Outstanding	(yrs)
November 22, 2024	0.05	571,500	1.15
December 28, 2024	0.09	798,000	1.25
	0.073	1,369,500	1.21



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## c) Options

The Company has adopted a share option plan pursuant to which the Board of Directors of the Company may, from time to time, in its discretion, and in accordance with the Exchange requirements, grant to directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Company, non-transferable options to purchase common shares, provided that the number of common shares reserved for issuance will not exceed 10% of the issued and outstanding common shares at the time of grant and the options are exercisable for a period not to exceed 10 years from the date of grant. The number of common shares reserved for issuance to any individual director or officer will not exceed 5% of the issued and outstanding common shares and the number of common shares reserved for issuance to all technical consultants will not exceed 2% of the issued and outstanding common shares. Options may be exercised within 90 days following cessation of the optionee's position with the Company, provided that if the cessation of office, directorship, employment or consulting arrangement was by reason of death, the option may be exercised within a maximum period of one year after such death, subject to the expiry date of such option.

Options granted to directors, employees and consultants vest immediately. Options granted to consultants engaged in investor relations activities will vest in stages over a minimum period of 12 months with no more than one-quarter of the options vesting in any three-month period.

Option transactions and the number of options outstanding and exercisable are summarized as follows:

		Weighted
	Number of	Average
	Options	<b>Exercise Price</b>
		\$
Balance at December 31, 2021	8,475,000	0.17
Granted	6,050,000	0.06
Expired	(4,950,000)	0.20
Balance at December 31, 2022	9,575,000	0.08
Expired	(2,625,000)	0.10
Exercised	(100,000)	0.05
Balance at September 30, 2023	6,850,000	0.08

During the period ended September 30, 2023

On February 14, 2023, 100,000 options were exercised at a price of \$0.05 for proceeds of \$5,000. The options had a fair value of \$3,041.

During the period ended September 30, 2023, 2,625,000 options expired unexercised. The options had a weighted average exercise price of \$0.10.

# During the year ended December 31, 2022

On March 22, 2022, 1,250,000 options were granted to consultants of the Company. The options have an exercise price of \$0.08. The Company applied the fair value method using the Black-Scholes option pricing model in accounting for its options granted with the following weighted-average assumptions: risk-free



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interest rate of 1.99%; expected dividend yield of zero; expected share price volatility of 111%; and an expected life of 1 year. The Company used historical volatility to estimate the volatility of the share price. The weighted average grant date fair value of each option was \$0.034. Accordingly, \$42,693 was recognized as share-based payment expense during the year ended December 31, 2022.

On May 11, 2022, 200,000 options were granted to a consultant of the Company. The options have an exercise price of \$0.085. The Company applied the fair value method using the Black-Scholes option pricing model in accounting for its options granted with the following weighted-average assumptions: risk-free interest rate of 2.73%; expected dividend yield of zero; expected share price volatility of 142%; and an expected life of 2 years. The Company used historical volatility to estimate the volatility of the share price. The weighted average grant date fair value of each option was \$0.059. Accordingly, \$11,809 was recognized as share-based payment expense during the year ended December 31, 2022.

On September 28, 2022, 4,600,000 options were granted to officers, directors, and consultants of the Company. The options have an exercise price of \$0.05, and a range of expiry dates from one to five years. The Company applied the fair value method using the Black-Scholes option pricing model in accounting for its options granted with the following weighted-average assumptions: risk-free interest rate of 3.29%; expected dividend yield of zero; expected share price volatility of 139%; and an expected life between one and five years. The Company used historical volatility to estimate the volatility of the share price. The weighted average grant date fair value of each option was \$0.029. Accordingly, \$133,826 was recognized as share-based payment expense during the year ended December 31, 2022.

During the year ended December 31, 2022, 4,950,000 options expired unexercised. The options had a weighted average exercise price of \$0.20.

The following options were outstanding and exercisable as at September 30, 2023:

Expiry Dates	Exercise Price \$	Weighted Average Remaining Life (yrs)	Number of Options Outstanding	Number of Options Exercisable
December 17, 2023	0.29	0.21	200,000	200,000
May 11, 2024	0.085	0.61	200,000	200,000
September 28, 2024	0.05	1.00	300,000	300,000
October 22, 2024	0.09	1.06	250,000	250,000
July 14, 2026	0.12	2.79	1,900,000	1,900,000
September 28, 2027	0.05	4.00	4,100,000	4,100,000
	0.08	3.21	6,850,000	6,850,000

## d) Restricted Share Units

During the period ended September 30, 2023

On January 17, 2023, 2,750,000 RSUs were granted to directors, officers, and consultants of the Company. The RSUs vest on the date of grant, and expire 24 months from the date of issue. The RSUs are governed by the Company's RSU Plan, which was approved by the Company's shareholders on December 22, 2020.



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On January 18, 2023, 150,000 RSUs were settled through the issuance of 150,000 shares of the Company and the fair value of \$9,000 was transferred from Reserves to Share Capital on the Statements of Financial Position as at September 30, 2023.

On March 22, 2023, Nova granted 500,000 RSUs to a consultant of the Company. The RSUs have a fair value of \$27,500 and are valid for a two-year term and are governed by the Company's RSU Plan, approved by the Company's shareholders on December 22, 2020.

On May 15, 2023, 50,000 RSUs were settled through the issuance of 50,000 shares of the Company.

On June 29, 2023, 50,000 RSUs were settled through the issuance of 50,000 shares of the Company.

# During the year ended December 31, 2022

On January 11, 2022, the Company granted 2,350,000 Restricted Share Units ("RSUs") to directors, officers, and consultants of the Company. The RSUs expire 24 months from the date of grant. The RSUs are governed by the Company's RSU Plan, which was approved by the Company's shareholders on December 22, 2020.

The total fair value of the RSUs on the date of grant was \$141,000, which is based on the market price of the Company's shares on the date of grant. RSUs granted to directors and officers vested immediately, while RSUs granted to certain consultants of the Company will vest at 50% on July 11, 2022, and 50% on January 11, 2023.

Nova recognized \$140,125 in share-based payments on the Statement of loss and comprehensive loss year ended December 31, 2022 (2021 – \$nil) for RSUs that vested during the year then-ended.

On March 15, 2022, 100,000 RSUs were settled through the issuance of 100,000 shares of the Company and the fair value of \$6,000 was transferred from Reserves to Share Capital on the Statements of Financial Position as at December 31, 2022.

On December 13, 2022, 50,000 RSUs were settled through the issuance of 50,000 shares of the Company and the fair value of \$3,000 was transferred from Reserves to Share Capital on the Statements of Financial Position as at December 31, 2022.

#### 11. ROYALTY INCOME

In December 2013, while operating as Weststar Resources Corp. ("Weststar"), the Company signed a letter of intent ("LOI") with two arm's-length parties to earn an interest in the Axe Property located in the Similkameen Mining Division of British Columbia. The LOI formed the basis of a royalty agreement, signed in December 2016 among the parties, with respect to the Axe Property, in which Westar had earned a 70% interest. Under the terms of the agreement, the parties are entitled to certain payments, either in shares or cash equivalent, when established milestones are met, such as meeting certain drilling targets, announcing a measured or indicated mineral deposit, or completing a feasibility study on the Project, among others.

During the period ended September 30, 2023, Nova was advised that a drilling milestone had been reached on the Axe Property, which triggered a payment to Nova of \$28,346 in respect of its 70% interest in the property.



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#### 12. SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES WITH RESPECT TO CASH FLOWS

For the period ended September 30,	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Shares issued for services (note 8)	80,000	-
Shares issued to settle RSUs (note 10d)	16,500	6,000
Shares issued for settlement of debt	-	63,395
Warrants issued in connection with unit financing (note 10)	-	(148,350)

#### 13. SEGMENTED DISCLOSURE AND SUBSIDIARIES

The Company currently operates in one industry segment, being research and development of psilocybin, and in one geographic area, being Canada, through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, Nova Mentis Biotech Corp., and SwabAi Diagnostics Inc. (formerly, "Pilz Bioscience Corp."). All of the Company's long-term assets are located in Canada.

#### 14. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The Company considers its capital to be comprised of shareholders' equity.

The Company manages the capital structure and makes adjustments to it in light of changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Company may attempt to issue new shares. Although the Company has been successful at raising funds in the past through the issuance of share capital, it is uncertain whether it will continue this method of financing due to the current difficult market conditions.

In order to facilitate the management of its capital requirements, the Company prepares expenditure budgets that are updated as necessary depending on various factors, including successful capital deployment and general industry conditions.

Management reviews the capital structure on a regular basis to ensure that the above objectives are met. There have been no changes to the Company's approach to capital management during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023. The Company is not subject to external restrictions on its capital.