



Medicenna Announces Oral Presentation of Topline Data from the Phase 1/2 ABILITY-1 Study of MDNA11 at SITC 2026

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The Phase 1/2 ABILITY-1 Clinical Trial is evaluating MDNA11 in expansion cohorts comprised of patients with advanced and metastatic gastrointestinal, endometrial, and melanoma cancers

Selected as one of the Top 150 Abstracts at the Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer (SITC) 2026 Annual Meeting

TORONTO and HOUSTON, Oct. 05, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Medicenna Therapeutics Corp. ("Medicenna" or the "Company") (TSX: MDNA, OTCQX: MDNAF), a clinical-stage immunotherapy company developing Superkines for targeting cancer and autoimmune disease, today announced that an abstract reporting topline data from the Phase 1/2 study of MDNA11 has been selected for oral presentation at the Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer (SITC) 2026 Annual Meeting.

Details of the oral presentation are as follows:

Abstract Number: 517

Presentation Type: Oral Presentation

Presentation Date: Saturday, November 7, 2026

Presentation Time: 4:30-4:45 p.m. MST

Session: Oral Session 3, 3:30-4:50 p.m. MST

Location: Phoenix Convention Center, Room 301D, Phoenix, Arizona

Title: "MDNA11 Demonstrates Clinical Activity as Monotherapy and in Combination with Pembrolizumab in Biomarker-Enriched Gastrointestinal Malignancies, Including ICI-Refractory Disease."

About Medicenna Therapeutics

Medicenna is a clinical-stage immunotherapy company developing engineered cytokine therapies designed to selectively engage the immune system to treat cancer. The Company's most advanced program, bizaxofusp (formerly MDNA55), is a targeted IL-4 Empowered Superkine that has been evaluated in more than 130 patients across five clinical trials, including a Phase 2b study in recurrent glioblastoma. Bizaxofusp has received Fast Track designation from the FDA and Orphan Drug designation in the United States and Europe. Medicenna is also advancing MDNA11, a long-acting IL-2 Superkine designed to selectively activate cancer-fighting immune cells, which is currently being evaluated in the Phase 1/2 ABILITY-1 study and the Phase 1b NEO-CYT study. The Company is also developing MDNA113, a targeted PD-1 x IL-2 bifunctional immunotherapy for solid tumors, and MDNA209, an antagonist of CD122 blocking IL-2/IL-15 signaling, using its proprietary BiSKIT and T-MASK platforms.

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