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A note from the Founder of Bronco Ventures

Welcome to Demo Day!

On behalf of Santa Clara University and the Ciocca Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the eighth annual Bronco Ventures Accelerator Demo Day, held during Grand Reunion.

As SCU's biggest entrepreneurship event, Demo Day brings together founders, alumni, investors, industry partners, and university leaders to celebrate what we can build together. Tonight, 19 startup teams will share ventures addressing challenges across healthcare, artificial intelligence, enterprise software, construction, education, and more.

Over the past four months, our BVA8 founders have refined their business models, tested ideas with customers, developed partnerships, and prepared for their next stage of growth. They join a community whose accelerator alumni have collectively raised more than $100 million, and whose experience, mentorship, and relationships continue to strengthen each new cohort.

This year marks an important first: BVA8 welcomed founders from other Jesuit universities around the world. We are delighted to welcome these entrepreneurs and the university communities supporting them, both in person and virtually. Building on the Jesuit Entrepreneurship Center Alliance, the JECA Fund creates another connection between promising founders and venture capital. Together with our partners, we are developing SCU's role as a Silicon Valley convening hub for a shared entrepreneurship network.

This work contributes to SCU's Impact 2030 vision through global collaboration, solutions that serve society, opportunities for students, and lifelong engagement among Broncos. As SCU advances its planned Mark & Mary Stevens School of Medicine with Sutter Health and its new Cunningham Shoquist Center for Applied AI and Human Potential, Bronco Ventures offers a complementary pathway for turning innovation into businesses that improve lives.

We are deeply grateful to our mentors, advisors, investors, sponsors, and university partners. We especially thank the Board of Regents for the mentorship and financial sponsorship that help undergraduate founders participate in the accelerator.

Thank you for joining us. As you meet our founders, we invite you to consider how your expertise, connections, or support might help them take their next step.

Warm regards,
Morgan Slain
Founder and Senior Director, Bronco Ventures
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Avilta



Avilta is the AI operating system built for modern e-commerce brands, unifying real-time business context to execute actions across commerce channels, ads, inventory, and fulfillment.

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BloomFront



Protecting elders from fraud by connecting to community.

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Clinical Product Insights



Clinical Product Insights (CPI) helps medtech teams and investors bring promising medical technologies into clinical use. CPI combines AI insights from its Clinical Adoption Intelligence platform with clinical engineering expertise and hands-on support, giving teams an expert ally for the work ahead. Fewer costly detours on the path to patient care.

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Closin



Vertical AI Back Office for Revenue Teams

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Conello



Conello is a web-based employee experience platform that helps distributed teams build stronger relationships through play, peer recognition, and continuous insights that support performance and retention without adding to leadership's workload.

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Durevie



Durevie is a cancer survivorship startup that helps people stay healthy after treatment ends. Durevie turns a survivor's treatment history into a personal risk profile, builds the surveillance plan that follows from it, and tracks whether that care actually happens. Because surviving cancer should mean living well, not just living longer.

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expVali





expVali uses candidate-authorized IRS data to validate work history

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FyrDraft



IP intelligence for founders & inventors.
Easy like TurboTax, deep like a patent attorney.



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GrantLock



GrantLock is the authority platform for AI agents: what every agent can reach, what it may do, and proof of what happened. Security teams use it to govern AI across the company, cutting risk and manual review, thereby accelerating AI adoption.



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Luminova Beauty



Founded in 2023, Luminova is building a better way to discover skincare—combining skin analysis, a personalized app, and smart kiosks with products people love.

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Mesh





A real-life social network where you meet strangers in groups of four at local coffee shops. They have hosted 1,200 events across the country. They have thousands of people who want to meet you, and they use a short personality questionnaire to find the best people for you to meet.

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Northbound




Commercial real estate projects suffer years of delay before developers secure the right to build. Northbound gives development teams and city reviewers a shared software platform to produce, review, and approve required technical studies faster, removing a major source of that delay. Fewer revisions. Faster approvals.

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Nova Industrial Analytics



Nova Industrial Analytics delivers real-time spectroscopy and analytics to optimize industrial processes in the toughest manufacturing environments, thereby saving time, costs and eliminating waste.

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Otto





AI Car Negotiation.

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PathoVis



PathoVis.ai speeds diagnoses with rapid and cost-effective digital tools, revolutionizing diagnostics for underserved areas across the globe.

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Shake On It





Shake On It is a friend-to-friend betting app that blends social wagers, media, and gaming; where every "I bet you this..." actually gets settled.

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Mirdain Systems




Mirdain is building the self correcting system for manufacturing, allowing machines to catch and fix their own mistakes without human intervention.

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Synphony



Synphony provides strawberry picking robots and software services including: bed-level analytics, data pipeline integration, and agentic solutions.

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Vaxon Space





Vaxon Space is developing satellites for very low Earth orbit (VLEO), enabling dramatically higher-performance missile defense, ISR, and communications by operating closer to Earth.

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