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Press Intelligence Report

Comprehensive press coverage and mentions for all 18 Cultivate Next portfolio companies, covering April 2022 – April 2026.

Generated November 17, 2026

826 total mentions across 18 companies

ESTIMATED REACH & IMPRESSIONS

870.2M	1.3B	285	173	3.1M
EST. UNIQUE REACH after 35% overlap adj.	RAW IMPRESSIONS before overlap adj.	TOTAL MENTIONS across 17 companies	CHIPOTLE MENTIONS articles naming Chipotle	AVG REACH / ARTICLE estimated readers

COMPANY	MENTIONS	EST. REACH	TOP OUTLET
AGRICULTURE & FARMING			
Nitricity	34	25.7M	PR Newswire
Greenfield Robotics	18	472K	Chipotle IR
Clean Crop Technologies	9	254K	FoodBev Media
Benchmark Labs	8	53K	Google for Startups
IMIO	5	49K	Brownfield Ag News
SUPPLY CHAIN			
Lumachain	14	106.2M	Yahoo Finance
SIMPLi	24	105.9M	Yahoo Finance
Local Line	21	1.3M	Nation's Restaurant News
SUSTAINABILITY			
CH4 Global	25	196.5M	Yahoo Finance
Athian	12	226K	FoodBev Media
INGREDIENTS			
Plantible Foods	15	106.4M	Yahoo Finance
Zero Acre Farms	12	15.7M	PR Newswire / Yahoo Finance
UF/IFAS Florida Avocado	5	49K	Where The Food Comes From

COMPANY	MENTIONS	EST. REACH	TOP OUTLET
RESTAURANT TECH			
Hyphen	33	118.4M	Yahoo Finance
PopID	9	97.7M	Yahoo Finance
RESTAURANT CONCEPTS			
Brassica	12	56.9M	Forbes
FUND			
Cultivate Next Fund	29	38.3M	Food & Wine

Methodology: Reach estimates use monthly unique visitor data from SimilarWeb/Semrush per publication (conservative). LinkedIn posts use average company post impressions; podcasts use average episode downloads; YouTube uses channel average views. A 35% overlap discount is applied for shared audiences. Estimates are directional, not verified ad impressions.

SECTION 1 — 10 MOST RECENT MENTIONS

1

[ARTICLE] Edacious

Are regenerative agriculture products healthier?

FI Global Insights · 2026-11-11

FI Global Insights covers Edacious's partnership with the Regenerative Organic Alliance and its testing of 46 Regenerative Organic Certified products.

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[ARTICLE] Edacious

Regenerative Organic Nutrition Report

Edacious and Regenerative Organic Alliance · 2026-11-07

The joint Edacious and Regenerative Organic Alliance report presents laboratory testing of Regenerative Organic Certified products to assess nutritional density, quality and safety.

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[ARTICLE] IMIO

IMIO raises USD $12 million to expand Chicago operations

CFOtech.news · 2026-10-28

IMIO raised $12 million to expand its Chicago headquarters, laboratory, and biomanufacturing operations.

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[ARTICLE] Local Line

Local Food Sourcing for Buyers | Local Line

www.localline.co · 2026-10-28

Local Food Sourcing for Buyers | Local Line ... # One platform for farm-direct procurement.

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eatsimpli.com · 2026-10-28

SIMPLi REGENERATIVE ORGANIC CERTIFIED® FARRO ... ## SIMPLi REGENERATIVE ORGANIC CERTIFIED® FARRO ## SIMPLi REGENERATIVE ORGANIC CERTIFIED® FARRO ...

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[ARTICLE] Athian

Athian to Market Localized Dairy Carbon Credits through New Registry with Climate Action Reserve

www.athian.ag · 2026-10-28

Athian to Market Localized Dairy Carbon Credits through New Registry with Climate Action Reserve **WILMINGTON, N.C. [Sept.

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[ARTICLE] IMIO

Sofinnova leads $12 M round for soil biologicals maker IMIO

worldbiomarketinsights.com · 2026-10-27

Sofinnova leads $12 M round for soil biologicals maker IMIO - World Bio Market Insights Sofinnova leads $12 M round for soil biologicals maker IMIO IMIO has raised $12 million to scale up its freeze-dried soil microbes. Sofinnova Partners led the round.

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[ARTICLE] Cultivate Next Fund

IMIO Raises $12M from Sofinnova Partners and Chipotle's Cultivate Next to Scale Reliable Biologicals and Improve Soil Performance

au.finance.yahoo.com · 2026-10-26

IMIO Raises $12M from Sofinnova Partners and Chipotle's Cultivate Next to Scale Reliable Biologicals and Improve Soil Performance CHICAGO, October 20, 2026--(BUSINESS WIRE)--IMIO, the pioneering manufacturer of a new generation of dependable agricultural biologicals, has raised $12 million to help farmers transform soil performance and protect profitability. The round was led by Sofinnova Partners with additional backing from Chipotle's Cultivate Next venture fund, Starshot Capital, Grow Together Salinas, Earth Foundry and Serra Ventures.

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[ARTICLE] IMIO

Chipotle's Latest Investment Isn't In Burritos. But It Could Change How They're Made

www.inc.com · 2026-10-26

With farming costs on the rise, the fast-casual chain, which has previously raised menu prices to offset higher costs, is betting on a startup that could help growers save money by turning leftover crops into nutrients for the soil. Through its Cultivate Next venture fund, Chipotle has invested in IMIO (short for Infinite Microbes, Infinite Opportunities), an agricultural biotech startup that uses microorganisms to break down crop waste and improve soil health.

SECTION 2 — COMPANY-BY-COMPANY COVERAGE

AGRICULTURE & FARMING

Benchmark Labs 26 mentions 2 Chipotle

[CHIPOTLE ANNOUNCEMENT]

Alt-Protein Sector Challenges with Christie Lagally Bradburn
www.linkedin.com · 2026-06-27

What Benchmark is building matters: AI-powered weather forecasting and climate intelligence that helps agricultural operators make better decisions in a world where weather volatility is no longer a side variable. It is increasingly a first-order variable. ... We have big news to...

[ARTICLE]

AI-powered micro-climate forecasting for the energy and agriculture sectors - Springwise
springwise.com · 2026-09-20

Benchmark Labs is one of those working to make weather forecasting much more accurate. Benchmark collects data from site-specific sensors and analyses it with its proprietary artificial intelligence (AI) software. The result is accurate forecasts tailored to its customers' precise locations, instead...

[LINKEDIN_POST]

Benchmark Labs integrates with Fieldwire by Hilti for ...
LinkedIn · 2026-08-31

Relevant LinkedIn post.

[ARTICLE]

Climate Week Brunch: Family Offices & VCs Investing in Climate Tech
luma.com · 2026-08-06

Our Upstate NY visiting companies include: - Applied Biorefinery Sciences, led by Christopher Wood and Tom Amidon - Benchmark Labs, led by Ulrik Solderstrom - Clean Label Solution, led by Mo Arshadi

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News Archives
www.benchmarklabs.com · 2026-07-31

News Archives - Benchmark Labs\n## Cultivating Resilience: Benchmark Labs Joins Chipotle's Cultivate Next Portfolio\n...\n## Benchmark Labs' SafeCast Earns Spot as 2026 Edison Awards Finalist\n...\nSafeCast by Benchmark Labs is now a finalist for the prestigious 2026...\n## Benchmark Labs featured i...

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Benchmark raises its first-ever growth fund as part of $2B capital haul
techcrunch.com · 2026-06-04

Benchmark Capital, the storied Silicon Valley VC firm known for early investments in eBay, Snap, Uber, and Twitter, is breaking with one of its signature traditions: keeping its funds to about $425 million and backing only young startups. After more than two decades of restricting its vehicles to th

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Benchmark raises $2 billion for new VC funds - Facebook
www.facebook.com · 2026-06-04

Benchmark raises $2 billion for new VC funds

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Carlos Felipe Gaitan Ospina | 10 comments - LinkedIn
LinkedIn · 2026-04-06

- Report this post Thank you Google and Google for Startups Latin Founder's Fund for featuring Benchmark Labs Inc. ai weather forecasting technology in google.com during LatinHeritageMonth!

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A new era of American Innovation - Google | Brian Laung Aoaeh, CFA
LinkedIn · 2026-03-19

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[NEWS]

Benchmark Labs' SafeCast Earns Spot as 2026 Edison Awards Finalist
Benchmark Labs · 2026-02-13

Benchmark Labs' SafeCast platform named a 2026 Edison Awards finalist in Critical Human Infrastructure for its point-specific weather intelligence protecting field operations.

[NEWS]

Benchmark Labs featured in Google's Economic Impact Report
Benchmark Labs · 2025-10-10

Google selects Benchmark Labs to represent California in its 2024 Economic Impact Report, highlighting its AI-driven microclimate forecasting for agriculture.

[NEWS]

Benchmark Labs Joins Black & Veatch's IgniteX Accelerator
Benchmark Labs · 2025-09-20

Benchmark Labs joins Black & Veatch's IgniteX Accelerator to advance its weather forecasting innovations for critical infrastructure.

[TRADE PRESS]

Benchmark Labs takes climate forecasting beyond farming
Google for Startups · 2025-06-01

Google for Startups profiles Benchmark Labs' expansion from agricultural microclimate forecasting into renewable energy sectors including offshore wind.

[ARTICLE]

Sign Up - Benchmark Labs
www.benchmarklabs.com · 2025-04-28

We provide asset-specific weather forecasts for the agricultural sector and other fixed asset verticals.

[NEWS]

Benchmark Labs and Seeed Studio Collaborate on Offshore Vessel Safety
Benchmark Labs · 2025-03-27

Benchmark Labs partners with Seeed Studio to enhance offshore vessel safety through advanced hyper-local weather forecasting.

[LINKEDIN_POST]

Google's 2023 Economic Impact Report on California and San Diego | Carlos Felipe Gaitan Ospina posted on the topic | LinkedIn
LinkedIn · 2025-03-12

Co-founder / CEO @Benchmark Labs | Machine Learning applications for a brighter future | Techstars Class of 2021 | Google Latin Founders Fund 2023 The 2023 Economic Impact Report from @Google is officially live and we're proud to be putting California and San Diego on the map! Check out our -Benchm...

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Benchmark Labs is helping farmers double their crop yields ...
LinkedIn · 2025-02-20

Google 36,811,396 followers 1mo Report this post Benchmark Labs is using Google AI to deliver personalized, location-specific weather forecasts for farmers.

[ARTICLE]

Benchmark Labs company profile & job openings — ClimateTechList, the web's most comprehensive climate, climate tech, clean tech, and green jobs site.
www.climatetechlist.com · 2025-01-01

|Vertical|Food & Ag| |--|--| |Subvertical|Agriculture| |Country|United States| |Last Funding Date|July 2023| ... Benchmark Labs provides asset-specific weather forecasting for the agricultural sector, and beyond.

[VIDEO]

Benchmark Labs, 2024 Grow-NY Pitch
YouTube / Grow-NY · 2024-11-21

Benchmark Labs pitches its point-specific weather forecasting technology at the Grow-NY Food and Agriculture Business Competition, highlighting 50-100% yield protection results.

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Athenium
www.cbinsights.com · 2024-11-08

It is based in Redwood City, California.Benchmark Labs\nBenchmark Labs specializes in artificial intelligence (AI)-driven weather forecasting solutions for the agriculture, energy, and land management sectors.\n...\nBenchmark Labs primarily serves sectors that require detailed climate data for opera...

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Benchmark Labs
www.cbinsights.com · 2024-11-05

Mosaic Score The Mosaic Score is an algorithm that measures the overall financial health and market potential of private companies. ... Benchmark Labs specializes in artificial intelligence (AI)-driven weather forecasting solutions for the agriculture, energy, and land management sectors. The com...

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AI-powered personal weather forecasts promise to boost crop yields
www.agnavigator.com · 2024-01-17

Over 90% of agribusinesses acknowledged that climate change is affecting their crop yields, with 36.7% observing it makes yields highly unpredictable.\\nThe need for more accurate weather forecasting is therefore evident, with nearly 80% of specialty crop respondents believing improved forecasts wou...

[PODCAST]

Entrepreneur Experience: Carlos Gaitan, Co-Founder of Benchmark Labs
Precursa: The Startup Journey / Spotify · 2022-06-10

Precursa podcast episode with Benchmark Labs co-founder Dr. Carlos Gaitan discussing building an AgTech startup with meaningful climate impact for farmers, covering IoT weather sensing and AI-powered forecasting.

[PODCAST]

Personalized Weather Technology — Carlos Gaitan on Successful Farming Radio
Successful Farming Radio / Benchmark Labs · 2022-03-14

Benchmark Labs CEO and Co-Founder Carlos Gaitan is interviewed by Jodi Henke of Successful Farming Radio about the company's IoT-based personalized weather forecasting system for farms, which uses on-farm sensors to improve forecast accuracy by up to 60%.

[ARTICLE]

Sub-Acre Weather Forecasting Is The Future For Agriculture
www.benchmarklabs.com · 2022-03-03

Benchmark Labs creates systems that leverage the data from these IoT-driven sensors, traditional gridded forecast models, AI/machine learning, and cloud computing to give precise information exactly where it’s needed most; by the sensor and the microclimate. Benchmark Labs offers a system that provi...

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Benchmark Labs company information, funding & investors
app.dealroom.co · 2020-05-01

Benchmark Labs Inc. is a pioneering company specializing in asset-specific environmental forecasting solutions. The company leverages advanced artificial intelligence (AI) to provide precise weather forecasts, actionable recommendations, and timely alerts. These services are particularly beneficial ...

Clean Crop Technologies 33 mentions

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Clean Crop Technologies raises $6 mln Series A
www.freshplaza.com · 2026-10-15

Clean Crop Technologies raises $6 mln Series A Clean Crop Technologies uses electricity to decarbonize the way we grow food and keep it safe and fresh, helping to feed the world without burning it down. That's the objective of the Western Massachusetts based startup that raised $6M in series A fin...

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Portfolio: Companies Born at UMass Amherst by Industry | IE&C
www.umass.edu · 2026-10-12

Portfolio ## AgTech & Food Innovation ### Clean Crop Technologies Clean Crop’s proprietary DriPRIME™ seed treatment helps eliminate crop contaminants, boosting yields and reducing food waste.

[ARTICLE]

197.2 Showcase Finalists
kisacoresearch.com · 2026-10-09

Clean Crop Technologies (“Clean Crop”) stops crop loss at the source, removin g pathogens from seeds before they a re planted, increasing yields, reducing in-fi eld waste, and improving food safety. C lean Crop’s Clean Current technology com bines electricity and food-grade gases to create cold plas...

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Clean Crop Technologies
greentown.org · 2026-10-05

Clean Crop Technologies | Greentown Labs\n# Clean Crop Technologies\n...\nClean Crop Technologies (“ Clean Crop ”) is a Holyoke, Massachusetts-based electrical innovation company, specializing in food and agriculture solutions at an industrial scale.\n...\nCold plasma is ready for prime time, says C...

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Clean Crop Technologies, Inc. (@CleanCropTech) ...
x.com · 2026-09-26

CCT is a VC-backed agtech startup deploying sustainable technology solutions to help feed the world without burning it down. Holyoke, MA cleancroptech.com Joined April 2022 ... As a VCbacked agtech startup based in Holyoke, MA since 2021, we are committed to driving innovation in sustainable agricul...

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DriPRIME
cleancroptech.com · 2026-09-25

DriPRIME – Clean Crop Technologies, Inc. ... ### DriPRIME treats seeds with nothing but air and electricity — no residues, no trade-offs, just performance.

[ARTICLE]

Clean Crop Technologies Is Changing the Greentech Landscape - BusinessWest
businesswest.com · 2026-09-23

Dan White calls it “turning back the clock on decomposition of food and seeds.” That’s how he chose to describe the technology created by Clean Crop Technologies, a Holyoke-based company that has become one of the foundations of that city’s emerging cleantech and greentech sector and one of the more...

[ARTICLE]

Jobs at Clean Crop Technologies, Inc. - Greenhouse
job-boards.greenhouse.io · 2026-09-21

Clean Crop Technologies (\"Clean Crop\") stops crop loss at the source, removing pathogens from seeds before they are planted, increasing yields, reducing in-field waste, and improving food safety. Clean Crop’s Clean Current technology combines electricity and food-grade gases to create cold plasma,...

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This cutting-edge technology decontaminates seeds to boost crop yields and save billions
www.fastcompany.com · 2026-08-13

However, Clean Crop Technologies offers a promising solution with its cold-plasma technology, capable of eliminating up to 99% of contaminants. The conventional approach to treating contaminated seeds involves the use of heat or chemicals, which is labor-intensive, energy-consuming, and can degrade ...

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Red Beard Ventures Portfolio Companies - Premier Alternatives
www.premieralts.com · 2026-08-07

Anduril IndustriesAerospace and DefenseThe SandBox (Entertainment Software)Elysium HealthAgoricBusiness/Productivity SoftwareCarroClean Crop TechnologiesTilt FiveFireside (Social/Platform Software)

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#worldagritech | World Agri-Tech
LinkedIn · 2026-07-20

World Agri-Tech’s Post ... Contact Jamie Alexander, or apply online: https://lnkd.in/denBVpW5 Featuring: Clean Crop Technologies, Inc., Vitiport, Susterre, Concerto Biosciences, EarthOptics, Robigo, Bloomfield , CHONEX, Propagate, FruitSpec, KhetiBuddy , Agrotools, DigiFarmz Smart Agriculture, Imi...

[PRESS RELEASE]

Clean Crop Technologies Secures $6M to Scale 'Clean Current' Food Safety Technology
SignalBase · 2026-03-24

Clean Crop Technologies raises $6M to scale its proprietary electrical 'Clean Current' technology that removes contaminants from seeds and foods to reduce food waste and increase food safety.

[ARTICLE]

Clean Crop Technologies
greyb.com · 2026-02-27

Clean Crop Technologies Clean Crop Technologies specializes in advanced treatments for foods and seeds, effectively reducing mold, pathogens, and bacteria. 2020 11 – 50 Holyoke, Massachusetts, United States ## https://cleancroptech.com/

[NEWS]

Clean Crop Technologies files to raise $10M in new funding
Intelligence360 · 2025-12-02

Clean Crop Technologies files SEC notice to raise up to $10M to commercialize its Clean Current electricity-based food decontamination technology.

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STCC, Clean Crop Technologies partner to meet workforce needs
Springfield Technical Community College · 2025-05-12

Clean Crop Technologies partnered with Springfield Technical Community College to address workforce needs.

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Trailhead Capital Job Board
trailheadcap.getro.com · 2025-04-24

Clean Crop Technologies (\"Clean Crop\") is a Holyoke, Massachusetts-based company that uses electricity to fight food waste and food safety risk.\nClean Crop's proprietary 'Clean Current' technology combines electricity and food-grade gas to remove contaminants from seeds and foods to increase crop...

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Senior Mechanical Systems Engineer at Clean Crop
www.terra.do · 2025-03-31

Senior Mechanical Systems Engineer ## Job Description Clean Crop Technologies is seeking a Senior Mechanical Systems Engineer in Holyoke, MA, to enhance their cold plasma seed treatment technology. ...

[VIDEO]

Clean Crop, 2024 Grow-NY Pitch
YouTube · 2024-11-21

Clean Crop Technologies CEO Dan White's pitch presentation at the 2024 Grow-NY competition, detailing the company's cold plasma technology for seed decontamination, commercial traction, and plans to scale serial manufacturing.

[PRESS RELEASE]

Clean Crop raises $6m in Series A funding round
FoodBev Media · 2024-07-29

Clean Crop Technologies closes $6M Series A led by ReGen Ventures, Trailhead Capital, and MassMutual Catalyst Fund to scale its electrical crop decontamination technology.

[ARTICLE]

Seed treatment, without compromise? Cold plasma is ready for prime time, says Clean Crop Technologies
AgFunderNews · 2024-05-07

Clean Crop Technologies launched a commercial cold plasma seed treatment facility, signed $3.4 million in purchase orders and reports a $47 million pilot pipeline, according to CEO Dan White.

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Make Berkshires a Climate Tech Leader
www.berkshireinnovationcenter.com · 2024-05-01

Shortly after Sublime’s announcement, another climate tech manufacturer, Clean Crop Technologies (Clean Crop), made a significant announcement. Clean Crop, which is solving crop loss via a fully automated solution that removes seen borne pathogens before they infect plants in farmer fields, declared...

[PODCAST]

Addressing Climate Change in Agriculture with Plasma Technology — Daniel White
Hardware to Save a Planet / Spotify · 2024-03-22

Hardware to Save a Planet podcast episode hosted by Dylan Garrett featuring Clean Crop Technologies CEO Daniel White explaining how cold plasma technology treats seed contamination from pathogens, toxins, and pests to reduce the 30% of crop loss in the food supply chain.

[VIDEO]

Hardware to Save a Planet — Daniel White, Clean Crop Technologies
Hardware to Save a Planet / YouTube · 2024-03-22

YouTube version of the Hardware to Save a Planet episode featuring Clean Crop Technologies CEO Daniel White discussing cold plasma decontamination technology and its applications in seed treatment and grain processing.

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TIME magazine: Holyoke’s Clean Crop Technologies, Sublime ...
MassLive · 2024-03-13

MassLive reports that Clean Crop Technologies was included in TIME's 2024 list of leading U.S. green-tech companies and describes its food and agriculture technology.

[PODCAST]

Addressing Climate Change in Agriculture with Plasma Technology — Daniel White, Co-Founder and CEO at Clean Crop Technologies
Hardware to Save a Planet Podcast · 2024-02-01

Hardware to Save a Planet podcast episode featuring Clean Crop Technologies CEO Dan White on the company's cold plasma technology, how it removes contaminants from seeds and food without residue, and plans for scaling.

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Massachusetts' Economic Assistance Coordinating Council ...
www.mass.gov · 2023-12-18

**Clean Crop Technologies Inc. – Holyoke ** Clean Crop Technologies uses electricity and food-grade gas to remove contaminants from seeds and foods to increase crop yields, reduce food waste and increase food safety.

[ARTICLE]

Locally grown startup prevents food waste with cold plasma
forgeimpact.org · 2023-09-14

At FORGE, we love expanding local supply chains to support the innovation ecosystem, so the story of how we introduced Clean Crop Technologies (Clean Crop) and Cofab Design is one of our favorites! Clean Crop is an agtech company using electricity to boost crop yields, reduce food waste, and improve...

[VIDEO]

Clean Crop Technologies tackles food waste with cold plasma
AgFunder News (YouTube) · 2023-03-24

AgFunder News video interview with Clean Crop Technologies CEO Dan White at the Future Food Tech conference, explaining how the company uses electricity and ionized gases to remove pathogens like Salmonella and Listeria from food and seeds.

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Startup Series: Clean Crop Technologies - MCJ
mcj.vc · 2021-08-12

Today's guest is **Dan White**, Co-Founder & CEO of **Clean Crop Technologies**. Clean Crop Technologies provides a solution for solid food supply chains, which currently choose between killing pathogens and maintaining the health of crops. Eliminating this trade-off, Clean Crop's product treats pat...

[PODCAST]

Startup Series: Clean Crop Technologies
MCJ Inevitable / Spotify · 2021-08-12

MCJ Inevitable Startup Series episode with Clean Crop Technologies co-founder and CEO Dan White discussing how atmospheric cold plasma technology can eliminate food safety contaminants from seeds and grains without harming food quality.

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Clean Crop Technologies' next generation solution for food waste & crop loss lands $2.75M Series Seed investment
www.prnewswire.com · 2020-06-08

NORTHAMPTON, Mass., June 8, 2020 /PRNewswire/ -- Clean Crop Technologies, Inc. closed a $2.75 million seed stage investment to accelerate development of its High Voltage Atmospheric Cold Plasma (HVACP) technology for reduction of food waste and crop loss across the food space. ... Clean Crop Technol...

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Future Climate Venture Studio Showcase: Clean Crop Technologies
www.youtube.com ·

Clean Crop Technologies uses electricity to boost yields, improve safety, and reduce waste across the food space.\nhttps://cleancroptech.com/\n...\n{ts:0} hi nice to meet you all and thank you for joining us today I'm really excited to share w

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News Detail - STCC, Clean Crop Technologies partner to meet ...
www.stcc.edu ·

SPRINGFIELD, **Mass.\n– ** Springfield Technical Community College is partnering with Clean Crop Technologies, which uses electricity to treat seeds for increased productivity and improve food safety.\n...\nFounded in 2019 and relocated to

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CHIPOTLE INVESTS IN AUTONOMOUS AGRICULTURAL ROBOTS AND CLIMATE-SMART FERTILIZER TO IMPROVE THE FUTURE OF FARMING
Chipotle Mexican Grill Investor Relations · 2023-12-13

Chipotle announces Cultivate Next minority investments in GreenField Robotics (autonomous regenerative farming robots) and Nitricity (low-emission nitrogen fertilizer) as the fund's latest cohort.

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Offering Circular - SEC.gov
www.sec.gov · 2026-10-25

In this Offering Circular, the term “Greenfield”, “Greenfield Robotics” or “the Company” refers to Greenfield Robotics Corporation. ... Greenfield Robotics Corporation was formed in Delaware on December 29, 2017, and is a robotics company that specializes in the development and deployment of auton...

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Greenfield Robotics Opens Public Offering After Six Years and ...
www.compuserve.com · 2026-10-25

Greenfield Robotics Opens Public Offering After Six Years and 82 Robots in the Field Greenfield Robotics opened ownership of the company to everyday investors today, six years after its first machines went to work in commercial crop fields. Founded by third-generation farmer and technologist Clint B...

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www.sec.gov · 2026-10-13

This **Resale and Forfeiture Agreement** (this "**Agreement**") is entered into as of [•], 2026 (the "**Effective Date**"), by and between Greenfield Robotics Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "**Company**"), and [•], an individual stockholder of the Company ("**Stockholder**").

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Greenfield - Form C (SPV)(FINAL).pdf
www.sec.gov · 2026-10-04

Name of Issuer: \nGreenfield Robotics Corporation \nLegal status of Issuer: \nForm: \nCorporation \nJurisdiction of Incorporation/Organization:\nDelaware \nDate of Organization: \nDecember 29, 2017 \nPhysical Address of Issuer: \n36706 W 39th St S, Cheney, Kansas, 67025 US \nWebsite of Issuer: \nhtt...

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Offering Circular - SEC.gov
www.sec.gov · 2026-10-03

36706 W 39th St S Cheney, Kansas 67025 **(316) 221-3801** **https://www.greenfieldincorporated.com/** ... *In this Offering Circular, the term "Greenfield", "Greenfield Robotics" or "the Company" refers to Greenfield Robotics Corporation.* ... Greenfield Robotics Corporation was formed in Delawa...

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Greenfield Robotics: Are their weed-cutting robots ready for your farm?
www.futurefarming.com · 2026-09-29

Greenfield Robotics opens public share offering after 6 years in the field # Greenfield Robotics opens public share offering after 6 years in the field ... Photos: Greenfield Robotics US company Greenfield Robotics has opened its ownership to everyday investors, aiming to raise up to $18.6 million (...

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Meet the Activator: Greenfield Robotics | Regenerative Food Systems Investment
rfsi-forum.com · 2026-09-23

Company Name: Greenfield Robotics **Description of Company:** Greenfield Robotics creates robots that allow regenerative agriculture to scale. Greenfield is on a path to eliminate chemicals from over 250 million acres in the United States alone and sequester massive amounts of carbon back in to ...

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Greenfield Robotics Opens Public Offering After Six Years And 82 Robots In The Field
www.agrimarketing.com · 2026-09-20

14, 2026 Source: Greenfield Robotics news release Cheney, KS -- Greenfield Robotics opened ownership of the company to everyday investors today, six years after its first machines went to work in commercial crop fields. Founded by third-generation farmer and technologist Clint Brauer, Greenfield Rob...

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Greenfield Robotics Opens Reg A+ To The Public After 82 Field Bots
LinkedIn · 2026-09-12

Greenfield Robotics launched a Reg A+ common-stock offering on StartEngine at .07 a share, six years after its first BOTONY robots

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Greenfield Robotics Opens Public Offering After Six Years ...
finance.yahoo.com · 2026-09-11

Greenfield Robotics Opens Public Offering After Six Years and 82 Robots in the Field ... *Kansas robotics company invites the public to own a stake in its mission to replace agricultural herbicides with autonomous machines* ... Greenfield Robotics opened ownership of the company to everyday investor...

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markets.businessinsider.com · 2026-09-11

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Greenfield Robotics | StartEngine
invest.startengine.com · 2026-09-10

The End of Herbicides is Autonomous. ...

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Here Come The Robots: Robotic Weed-Pullers, Sprayers, Cattle Herders Coming Our Way
Cowboy State Daily · 2026-07-11

Overview of agricultural robotics trends that explicitly mentions Greenfield Robotics as a Kansas-based company building autonomous weeding robots to reduce or eliminate herbicide use, operating across multiple states.

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Greenfield Robotics funding round update ($589K+ raised) (LinkedIn post)
LinkedIn · 2026-07-09

Post provides an update on Greenfield Robotics' round claiming $589K+ raised (with investor and valuation figures) and notes product/ops updates including 2026 robot deliveries and a new voice/text app for farmers.

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Greenfield Robotics and Grand Farm - 2026 Season
YouTube · 2026-06-26

Greenfield Robotics founder Clint Brauer and Grand Farm's John Mann discuss plans for the upcoming 2026 season and the company's mission to replace herbicides with robotics.

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The future of agriculture will be changed in our fields, not in court
LinkedIn · 2026-06-25

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LinkedIn · 2026-06-21

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LinkedIn · 2026-06-14

The post promotes Greenfield Robotics' autonomous weeding robots and fundraising campaign.

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Greenfield Robotics Autonomous Farming Robots | King John R ...
www.linkedin.com · 2026-06-14

$1.59/Price per Share $499.26/Minimum Investment $39.95M Valuation ... Founded by a third-generation Kansas farmer, Greenfield Robotics is building autonomous robots to remove chemicals in agriculture. Manufactured with Amity Technology and already deployed on farms across 16 states, Greenfield is s...

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LinkedIn · 2026-05-25

Greenfield shares a demonstration of its BOTONY robot and herbicide-reduction mission.

[VIDEO]

Organic Farming Meets Robotic Weeders
Nebraska Extension / YouTube · 2026-02-25

Nebraska Extension video showing Greenfield Robotics robots working in Knuth's organic soybean fields, demonstrating autonomous in-row weeding for organic farmers.

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Promising weed control: Robots offer high-tech advantages
Farm Progress · 2026-02-04

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Greenfield Robotics invited investors to support its regenerative agriculture robotics mission.

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LinkedIn · 2026-01-01

1,253 retail investors have already backed this $39.95M robot-farming startup. Start tracking for free on Owntric https://lnkd.in/gFY55gug The company is Greenfield Robotics Corp — “Chemical-Free Farming with Autonomous Robots” — building robot swarms that pull weeds instead of spraying chemicals...

[VIDEO]

CropTalk | GreenField Robotics | December 12, 2025
YouTube · 2025-12-12

CropTalk interview covering Greenfield Robotics' expansion of capabilities—terminating cover crops, planting seeds, suppressing weeds, and fertilizing crops autonomously, with a first end-to-end autonomous farming system expected by 2028.

[VIDEO]

Robot swarms to take on weeding and foliar feeding in 17 states
YouTube · 2025-12-01

Greenfield Robotics shares how its robot swarms handle multiple tasks—weeding, foliar feeding, and cover cropping—and announces expansion to 17 states after four years of paid field operations.

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North Dakota Ag News · 2025-11-12

North Dakota agriculture department announces trials with Greenfield Robotics to test robotic weed control.

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LinkedIn / Greenfield Robotics · 2025-11-07

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Greenfield Robotics Signs $1M in Contracts for 2026 BOTONY Robot Deliveries
LinkedIn / Greenfield Robotics · 2025-10-21

Greenfield Robotics announces $1M+ in signed contracts for 2026, a key commercial milestone for its autonomous BOTONY robots.

[VIDEO]

Greenfield Robotics Mission with Kercher's Orchard Sunrise Produce
Greenfield Robotics / YouTube · 2025-09-21

Greenfield Robotics robots deployed in sweet corn at Kercher's Orchard Sunrise Produce, which supplies Whole Foods — showing robotic weeding in a specialty produce setting.

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From Weedbots to Planters: Greenfield Robotics Develops Multi-Purpose Farming Robots
Oklahoma Farm Report · 2025-09-04

Greenfield Robotics expands its autonomous robots beyond weeding to planting, reducing chemical reliance on large-scale farms.

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Kingscrowd · 2025-07-22

Review of Greenfield Robotics' $39.95M valuation crowdfunding campaign, highlighting AI-powered weeding robots and Chipotle's Cultivate Next partnership.

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How does Greenfield Robotics make farming more ...
LinkedIn · 2025-02-28

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How Are These Small Farming Robots Able To Control Weeds
Greenfield Robotics / YouTube · 2025-02-21

Clint Brauer explains how Greenfield Robotics' small autonomous robots cover large acreages and control weeds without chemicals, discussing fleet scaling and coverage rates.

[NEWS]

Chipotle invests in regenerative farming and sustainable fertilizer companies
Nation's Restaurant News · 2025-02-04

NRN covers Chipotle's Cultivate Next investments in Greenfield Robotics, detailing its autonomous weed-cutting robots and plans for soil testing and cover crop robots.

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Robots for regenerative agriculture — Clint Brauer, Greenfield Robotics
Farm to Future Podcast · 2025-02-04

Deep-dive podcast interview with Clint Brauer on Greenfield Robotics' autonomous weed-cutting robots, the case against agricultural chemicals, soil health principles, and Brauer's vision for localizing the food supply.

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How Greenfield Robotics Works: The Process
Greenfield Robotics (YouTube) · 2025-01-22

Founder Clint Brauer explains the full operational process of Greenfield Robotics' autonomous weeding robots, from field droning to AI-guided deployment, crop damage of under 1%, and battery hot-swap logistics.

[VIDEO]

Revolutionizing Farming with Robotics and Regenerative Practices — Clint Brauer
Reverse Mullet Healthcare Podcast (BP2 Health) (YouTube) · 2024-11-27

Season 2 episode of the Reverse Mullet Healthcare Podcast featuring Greenfield Robotics founder Clint Brauer on how robotics and regenerative farming practices can improve both agricultural and human health outcomes.

[VIDEO]

Why Greenfield Robotics? Our Founder's Story
Greenfield Robotics (YouTube) · 2024-10-04

Founder Clint Brauer shares his personal story, including his father's illness linked to herbicide exposure, that motivated him to build autonomous, chemical-free weeding robots for broadacre farms.

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Transforming The Future of Agriculture With Greenfield Robotics
Greenfield Robotics (YouTube) · 2024-09-20

Overview video of Greenfield Robotics' autonomous weeding bots operating in fields, highlighting their role in regenerative agriculture and soil health improvement.

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These robots provide a high-tech solution to an age-old farming problem: how to get rid of weeds
NPR Illinois · 2024-04-08

NPR Illinois reports on Greenfield Robotics' field robots and their use in cutting weeds to reduce reliance on herbicides.

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Clint Brauer – After an investment of Chipotle, ready to scale his chemical-free farming robots
Investing in Regenerative Agriculture Podcast · 2024-03-19

Check-in interview with Clint Brauer post Chipotle investment, covering his vision to eliminate chemicals from broadacre farming and plans for scaling Greenfield Robotics globally.

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Chipotle invests in autonomous farming robots
Robotics and Automation Magazine · 2024-01-02

UK robotics trade publication covers Cultivate Next's investment in GreenField Robotics, noting the fund makes early-stage investments that further Chipotle's strategic growth goals.

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Chipotle invests in regenerative farming robots
Agriculture Dive · 2023-12-14

Agriculture Dive covers Cultivate Next's minority investments in GreenField Robotics and Nitricity, noting that both support Chipotle's regenerative farming and climate-smart supply chain goals.

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Chipotle Invests in Green Fertilizer, Robotic Regenerative Farming Startups
ESG Today · 2023-12-14

ESG Today frames Cultivate Next's investments in GreenField Robotics and Nitricity through a sustainability lens, detailing how both companies reduce greenhouse gas emissions in agriculture.

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CHIPOTLE INVESTS IN AUTONOMOUS AGRICULTURAL ROBOTS AND CLIMATE-SMART FERTILIZER TO IMPROVE THE FUTURE OF FARMING
Chipotle Mexican Grill Investor Relations · 2023-12-13

Chipotle announces Cultivate Next minority investments in GreenField Robotics (autonomous regenerative farming robots) and Nitricity (low-emission nitrogen fertilizer) as the fund's latest cohort.

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PR Newswire · 2023-12-13

Wire distribution of Chipotle's announcement of Cultivate Next investments in GreenField Robotics and Nitricity, with quotes from CFO Jack Hartung on the environmental alignment with Chipotle's Food With Integrity mission.

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Chipotle's latest investment: weed-cutting robots and climate-smart fertilizer
Restaurant Business · 2023-12-13

Restaurant Business covers Cultivate Next's GreenField Robotics and Nitricity investments, providing context on the full portfolio of six investments made by the fund since its 2022 launch.

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Chipotle Backs AI and Renewable Energy in Agriculture with New Investments
Restaurant Technology News · 2023-12-13

Restaurant Technology News covers the Cultivate Next investments in GreenField Robotics and Nitricity, contextualizing them alongside earlier investments in Hyphen and Vebu's Autocado.

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Kansas farmer invents robots to behead weeds, reduce the use of pesticides on crops
The Hutchinson News · 2021-07-09

The Hutchinson News profiles founder Clint Brauer and Greenfield Robotics' autonomous robots, which cut weeds and aim to reduce pesticide use.

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IMIO Raises $12 Million from Sofinnova Partners and Chipotle to Expand Agricultural Biologicals
www.citybiz.co · 2026-10-20

Chicago-based agricultural biotechnology company IMIO has raised $12 million in funding led by Sofinnova Partners, with participation from Chipotle's Cultivate Next venture fund and other investors, to expand its biological crop treatment business and develop a new laboratory and...

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IMIO raises USD $12 million to expand Chicago operations
CFOtech.news · 2026-10-28

IMIO raised $12 million to expand its Chicago headquarters, laboratory, and biomanufacturing operations.

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Sofinnova leads $12 M round for soil biologicals maker IMIO
worldbiomarketinsights.com · 2026-10-27

Sofinnova leads $12 M round for soil biologicals maker IMIO - World Bio Market Insights Sofinnova leads $12 M round for soil biologicals maker IMIO IMIO has raised $12 million to scale up its freeze-dried soil microbes. Sofinnova Partners led the round.

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Chipotle's Latest Investment Isn't In Burritos. But It Could Change How They're Made
www.inc.com · 2026-10-26

With farming costs on the rise, the fast-casual chain, which has previously raised menu prices to offset higher costs, is betting on a startup that could help growers save money by turning leftover crops into nutrients for the soil. Through its Cultivate Next venture fund, Chipotle has invested in I...

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IMIO Raises $12M from Sofinnova Partners and Chipotle's Cultivate Next to Scale Reliable Biologicals and Improve Soil Performance
finance.yahoo.com · 2026-10-21

IMIO's freeze-dried microbes help break down post-harvest residue to improve soil health and crop performance, with corn trials reporting an average yield increase of 11.9 bushels per acre The company's first product, Re-Gen, has already been used across 10,000 acres in the Midwest Company building ...

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www.ventureradar.com · 2026-10-20

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techfundingnews.com · 2026-10-20

“Building a better food system starts with making innovation work for growers — improving their economics, strengthening their operations, and delivering value all the way to the people they feed. Through Cultivate Next, we bring growers and food buyers together to help promising technologies succee...

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IMIO raises $12m to unlock nutrients trapped in crop residues
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IMIO raises $12m to unlock nutrients trapped in crop residues with new generation of ‘dependable ag biologicals’ #### Charles Smith, founder and CEO, IMIO Image credit: IMIO IMIO, a startup developing biologicals that break down crop residues to release nutrients that can boost crop yields and red...

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Solving biologicals’ reliability issue: IMIO raises $12m to scale freeze-dried bio-input
www.agnavigator.com · 2026-10-20

Solving biologicals’ reliability issue: IMIO raises $12m to scale freeze-dried bio-input ## Has biotech company IMIO cracked the code on biological reliability with a freeze-drying process? Armed with a $12 million seed round, Chicago-based IMIO has a solution to this reliability issue with the te...

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Biotechnology, 1417 Marshall Ave, Williston, Vermont, 05495, United States, 1-10 Employees imio.co ... ### Phone Number: +18********* ... IMIO creates living agricultural products engineered to deliver healthier, more productive plants and soil. Chemical pesticides, fertilizers, and hormones rob soi...

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Cultura Portfolio Update: Leadership Changes, Milestones, and Industry ...
LinkedIn · 2026-08-02

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Reducing Experiments by 70% in Biotech and Food Production | Katherina Espinoza Imio posted on the topic | LinkedIn

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How Re-Gen Is Built for Dependable Field Performance
www.imio.co · 2026-03-23

At IMIO, we’ve spent years working to change that. ...

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Biologicals for Residue Management - IMIO
www.imio.co · 2026-03-23

That’s the philosophy behind Re-Gen. It’s a practical tool that quickly, reliably upgrades your existing fertility program without requiring complex changes. ... We think of Re-Gen as common-sense biotech. It’s designed for a single purpose: to help you get more from what’s already in your fields. T...

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IMIO: Biologicals for Residue Management
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Re-Gen helps break down crop residue in the same season, releasing nutrients back to the root zone and improving the soil microbiome. ... ## Practical Steps for Succession Planning - Assess your baseline: Test and document soil organic matter, nutrient levels, and structure. - Adopt practices now: E...

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Re-Gen and Conservation Tillage: More Microbes, Less Nitrogen ... Talk to us hello@imio.co Privacy Policy

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Farmers using microbes to boost yields and profits
Brownfield Ag News · 2026-03-20

IMIO founder Charles Smith discusses how some farmers are turning to biologicals to manage residue and reduce fertilizer costs, recorded at the 2026 iFAB Biomanufacturing Summit.

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Bayer Canada Launches newgold Seed for Biofuel Markets - LinkedIn
LinkedIn · 2026-03-04

IMIO's technology reduces farmers' fertilizer use by ~30% or increases yields by >15%, lowering dependence on traditional inputs.

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IMIO: Jobs, Salaries & Tech Stack (2026) | Alion
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LinkedIn · 2025-08-11

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Nutrient Recapture: Unlocking the Hidden Value in Your Fields
IMIO Blog · 2025-05-07

IMIO promotes Re-Gen as a method to unlock over $200/acre in nutrients from crop residues using specialized microbes.

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LinkedIn · 2025-04-23

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Full article: On-Farm Conversion of Cannabis Sativa Waste ...
www.tandfonline.com · 2024-06-03

Imio Technologies, Inc. (Imio) developed cannabis-specific microbial inoculants designed to optimize the conversion of hemp waste into a bio-available form. Applied as a liquid culture, Imio microbes colonize wasted stalks and produce organic acids and oxidative enzymes that decompose lignin and rel...

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On-Farm Conversion of Cannabis Sativa Waste Biomass into an Organic Fertilizer by Microbial Digestion
tandf.figshare.com · 2024-01-16

Cannabis Sativa Waste Biomass into an Organic Fertilizer by Microbial Digestion ... Imio Technologies, Inc. (Imio) developed cannabis-specific microbial inoculants designed to optimize the conversion of hemp waste into a bio-available form. Applied as a liquid culture, Imio microbes colonize waste...

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More Than Just a Glaze — IMIO: Microbial Inoculants for Regenerative Agriculture
The Grower & The Economist / AgriAmerica · 2024-01-01

Charles Smith and Dr. Victoria Holden, co-founders of IMIO, appear on The Grower & The Economist podcast to discuss their regenerative ag biotech company. The episode covers the scientific process, how Re-Gen works, and which growers can benefit.

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Podcast
www.kisorganics.com · 2023-09-21

Victoria and Charles are the co-founders of IMIO and in this podcast we discuss their products and research. They currently have brought two products to market, an organic microbial-based rooting powder and a microbial based solution for breaking down biomass faster, which has broad applications. .....

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Organic Microbial Solutions to Propagation with Victoria Holden and Charles Smith
KIS Organics Podcast / YouTube · 2023-09-21

IMIO co-founders Victoria Holden (CSO) and Charles Smith (CEO) appear on the KIS Organics cultivation and science podcast to discuss their microbial inoculant products Regen and Root, which replace chemical inputs in agriculture.

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KIS Organics Podcast / Spotify · 2023-09-21

Spotify version of KIS Organics episode 119 featuring IMIO co-founders Victoria Holden and Charles Smith discussing their organic microbial solutions for propagation and biomass breakdown.

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Chipotle Invests in Agricultural Robotics, Fertilizer Startups
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www.nitricity.co · 2026-10-13

From initial friendships formed at Stanford University to an award-winning company, Nitricity continues to push forward in our mission to provide growers with local access to the most sustainable fertilizer solutions — but we can’t do it alone.

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Using electricity to extract nitrogen directly from the air - Future Farming
www.futurefarming.com · 2026-10-12

US startup Nitricity has found a way to produce nitrogen fertilizer with only air, water, and electricity. The company has started new field trials for its fertilizer product with Salinas Valley farmers, including suppliers for Chipotle Mexican Grill.

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Organic fertilizer maker Nitricity $63M raise to build plant
www.axios.com · 2026-10-07

Nitricity closed $63M to scale its organic fertilizer Nitricity closes $63M to scale up organic fertilizer - Katie Fehrenbacher - email (opens in new window) Organic fertilizer maker Nitricity has closed $63 million in financing as it looks to build a fertilizer plant in Delhi, California. Why it ma...

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American Nitricity has raised $50 million to scale up the technology for the production of organic nitrogen fertilizers
www.akm.ru · 2026-09-18

The American company Nitricity has closed a Series B financing round in the amount of $50 million. The funds received will be used to scale up the production technology of low-emission organic nitrogen fertilizers. ... Nitricity has developed organic nitrogen fertilizers. Its flagship product Ash Te...

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Nitricity – an Unreasonable company
unreasonablegroup.com · 2026-09-08

Electrifying the production of climate-smart fertilizer. ... ### Cofounder & CEO at Nitricity ... nitricity.co Employees 21–50 Headquarters United States Nitricity produces distributed fertilizer production systems that produce regionalized nitrogen fertilizer using air, water and renewable energ...

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LinkedIn · 2026-09-03

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ITO FY23 & FY24 Selections
www.energy.gov · 2026-08-10

Project Title: Nitrogen Fixation for Production of Nitrogenous and Phosphatic Fertilizers **Project Lead:** Nitricity, Inc. **Project Partners:** N/A **City/State:** Fremont, CA **Federal Funding:** $5,000,000 **Project Number:** EE0011807

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decisiondepot.legal · 2026-08-07

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CBG Plant Success Factors: Feedstock to Bio-CNG
www.linkedin.com · 2026-08-06

Nitricity CEO: Nicolas Pinkowski Founded at Stanford in 2018, Nitricity uses electricity to fix nitrogen from air and convert it into organic nitrate fertilizer, initially via plasma-activated water and now via a process that combusts agricultural waste like almond shells with renewable power. The r...

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Trellis Climate Analysis: FOAK Financing Landscape
www.linkedin.com · 2026-08-05

We also highlight examples that demonstrate catalytic capital in action, including our recent investment in Nitricity.

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World Fund's Post
LinkedIn · 2026-07-31

Nitricity raised a $50M Series B, with its first-of-a-kind clean fertiliser facility in California already sold out through 2028.

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Please join us in welcoming our 2026 Summer Intern Cohort! We were excited to host this talented group of students, who have been bringing fresh perspectives, incredible... | Nitricity

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The “brutal reality” of scaling low-carbon fertilizer
Latitude Media · 2026-07-15

Interview/feature on Nitricity CEO Nico Pinkowski on scaling low-carbon fertilizer, including Nitricity’s pivot from decentralized devices to a centralized California facility producing liquid organic fertilizer from recycled almond shells.

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Nitricity CEO Discusses Local Fertilizer Manufacturing on Leaders ...
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War-choked fertilizer problem pushes farmers toward human urine
Los Angeles Times · 2026-05-22

The article notes that California-based Nitricity, which makes fertilizer from ground almond shells, is building new production capacity and is sold out through 2028.

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Nicolas Pinkowski pitching Nitricity at NLR Industry Growth Forum
LinkedIn / Nitricity · 2026-03-26

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Nicolas Pinkowski Discusses Scaling Climate Tech at Colorado ...
LinkedIn · 2026-03-16

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Nicolas Pinkowski's Nitricity Revolutionizes Fertilizer Production
LinkedIn · 2026-02-12

The founder spotlight summarizes Nitricity's plasma-based fertilizer technology.

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Earthshot Ventures & Elemental Impact's 1-2 Punch for Climate, VC
LinkedIn / Earthshot Ventures · 2026-01-29

Case study on Nitricity as a climate tech investment, producing on-site low-carbon nitrogen fertilizer using only air, water and renewable electricity.

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How Investors Got Psyched About Fertilizer
heatmap.news · 2026-01-15

Multiple participants in Heatmap’s Insiders Survey cited ag tech companies Pivot Bio and Nitricity — both of which are pursuing alternate approaches to conventional ammonia-based fertilizers — as among the most exciting climate tech companies working today. ...

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Nitricity Funding Jump - Fertilizer & Nutrient Congress 2026
Fertilizer Summit · 2025-12-15

Coverage of Nitricity's $50M raise as a signal for low-carbon fertilizer's growing market.

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www.rd.usda.gov · 2025-11-28

FY 2024 Fertilizer Production Expansion Program Number of Awards: 7 Grant Total: $35,103,488 States Senators Representatives Program Recipient Grant Amount Project Description CA Alex Padilla (CA) Laphonza Butler (CA) Ro Khanna (CA17) Fertilizer Production Expansion Program (FPEP) Nitricity Inc. $3,...

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Nitricity: Turning waste into organic fertilizer
LinkedIn · 2025-10-15

Khosla Ventures shared Nitricity's $50 million Series B and commercial facility plans.

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Episode 124: Nicolas Pinkowski, Nitricity — MCJ Podcast
MCJ Podcast · 2025-09-28

Deep-dive podcast interview with Nitricity co-founder Nicolas Pinkowski on lightning-powered fertilizer, the origin story from Stanford, and the company's commercial scale-up.

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Nitricity raises US$50 million for its organic fertilizer
worldfertilizer.com · 2025-09-19

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Nitricity raises US$50 million for its organic fertilizer
World Fertilizer · 2025-09-19

Trade press coverage of Nitricity's $50M Series B round and the planned groundbreaking of its Delhi, California fertilizer facility slated for operation in 2026.

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Nitricity’s California fertilizer plant advances amid organic status dispute
Fertilizer Daily · 2025-09-17

Nitricity is advancing its California fertilizer plant while its Ash Tea product faces an organic-status dispute.

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Nicolas Pinkowski - A big milestone for Nitricity - LinkedIn
LinkedIn · 2025-09-15

Nicolas Pinkowski shared Nitricity’s facility groundbreaking milestone in California’s Central Valley.

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How Nitricity Is Reinventing the Fertilizer Supply Chain
Elemental Impact · 2025-09-15

Profile of Nitricity's first-of-its-kind factory in California's Central Valley producing low-carbon organic fertilizer from recycled almond shells and renewable power.

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Nitricity Breaks Ground on First-of-a-Kind Organic Fertilizer Facility in Central California
Nitricity (company blog) · 2025-09-12

Nitricity documents the official groundbreaking ceremony in Delhi, California, celebrating a milestone in sustainable agriculture with local leaders, farmers, and investors.

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Nitricity raises $50M to go global with unique tech transforming almond waste into organic fertilizer
finance.yahoo.com · 2025-09-10

FRANC and FREONT, Sept.10,2025PRNewswire/ -- Nitricity, a climate-focused company revolutionizing nitrogen fertilizer production globally, has announced the completion of a $50 million Series B funding round, just days before the groundbreaking ceremony for its pioneering organic fertilizer facility...

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MoFo Advises Nitricity in $50 Million Series B Round
www.mofo.com · 2025-09-10

MoFo advised Nitricity, a climate-tech startup creating sustainable, organic nitrogen fertilizers by harnessing air, water, renewable energy, and almond shells, on the completion of its $50 million Series B financing round. The funds will be used to scale production of its organic, plant-based ferti...

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Nitricity bags $50m to meet surging demand for organic fertilizer
agfundernews.com · 2025-09-10

Nitricity, a California-based startup producing organic nitrogen fertilizer from air, water, renewable energy, and upcycled almond shells, has raised a $50 million Series B round co-led by World Fund and Khosla Ventures as it prepares to open a new plant in Delhi, California. The round was supported...

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Nitricity raises $50M to go global with unique tech transforming almond waste into organic fertilizer
PR Newswire · 2025-09-10

Nitricity closed a $50M Series B co-led by World Fund and Khosla Ventures, with Chipotle's Cultivate Next participating, to scale its organic fertilizer production.

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Tim Schumacher (World Fund) on Nitricity $50M raise
LinkedIn / World Fund · 2025-09-10

World Fund co-lead investor announces Nitricity's $50M Series B, highlighting 30% yield increases in trials and plans for US expansion and entry into Europe.

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Nitricity raises $50M to go global with unique tech transforming almond waste into organic fertilizer
Nitricity (company newsroom) · 2025-09-10

Nitricity closes a $50 million Series B funding round co-led by World Fund and Khosla Ventures, with participation from Chipotle's Cultivate Next, ahead of the groundbreaking of its first-of-a-kind organic fertilizer plant in Delhi, California.

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Nitricity Raises $50 Million to Scale Sustainable Low Carbon Fertilizer Technology
ESG Today · 2025-09-10

Coverage of Nitricity's $50M Series B round, highlighting the company's mission to produce organic, low-emission nitrogen fertilizer from air, water, renewable energy, and almond shells.

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We're excited to share that Nitricity has raised a $50 million Series B funding round
LinkedIn (Nitricity) · 2025-09-10

Nitricity's official LinkedIn announcement of its $50M Series B round co-led by World Fund and Khosla Ventures, with participation from Cultivate Next/Chipotle.

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Nitricity announces $10M in fresh funding for first-of-a-kind organic fertilizer plant
AgFunderNews · 2025-03-04

Nitricity secured $10M project funding to build its Delhi, CA facility with production sold out through 2028.

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Nitricity announces $10M in fresh funding for first-of-a-kind organic fertilizer plant
Nitricity (company newsroom) · 2025-03-04

Nitricity announces $10 million in project funding from Elemental Impact and Trellis Climate to build its organic fertilizer plant in Delhi, California, with capacity already sold out through 2028.

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Nitricity Secures Investment from Chipotle to Improve the Future of Farming — Nitricity
www.nitricity.co · 2024-12-06

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif., December 13, 2023 - Nitricity, Inc. uses air, water, and renewable energy to produce a cleaner, more sustainable, and cost-efficient fertilizer. Nitricity has started field trials for their fertilizer product with Salinas Valley farmers, including suppliers for Chipotle Me...

[VIDEO]

Solar-Powered Organic Fertilizer | Reinventing Tomorrow
Pique Action / Change Forces (YouTube) · 2024-11-13

Short-form video profiling Nitricity and its mission to produce clean fertilizer from air, water, and renewable energy, presented by Change Forces as part of the Reinventing Tomorrow climate solutions series.

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Lightning in a bottle: Company making fertilizer from air, water, electricity | Capital Press
capitalpress.com · 2024-04-25

The company, San Francisco-based Nitricity, uses solar energy to produce “lightning” that splits nitrogen molecules from the air, just as Mother Nature does during thunderstorms. ...

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Nitricity launches field trial of low-emissions nitrogen ...
www.nitricity.co · 2024-04-23

— April 23, 2024 —** Nitricity Inc., a California-based company electrifying the production of climate-smart nitrogen fertilizer, celebrated the launch of its latest field test at an event on Friday in Madera County. In partnership with Olam Food Ingredients (ofi), Elemental Excelerator, and the Mad...

[VIDEO]

Nicolas Pinkowski of Nitricity on Lightning-Powered Fertilizer and the Decarbonized Future of Food
Consensus in Conversation (YouTube) · 2024-02-15

Nitricity CEO Nicolas Pinkowski joins the Consensus in Conversation podcast on YouTube to discuss the startup's origin story and how it is decarbonizing the food supply with lightning-powered fertilizer.

[PODCAST]

Nicolas Pinkowski of Nitricity on Lightning-Powered Fertilizer
Consensus in Conversation / Apple Podcasts · 2024-02-15

Consensus in Conversation podcast featuring Nicolas Pinkowski discussing Nitricity's lightning-powered fertilizer approach and its potential to decarbonize agriculture.

[PODCAST]

Nicolas Pinkowski of Nitricity on Lightning-Powered Fertilizer
Consensus in Conversation / Spotify · 2024-02-15

Spotify version of the Consensus in Conversation episode with Nitricity co-founder Nicolas Pinkowski on plasma-based fertilizer technology.

[BLOG]

Nitricity Secures Investment from Chipotle to Improve the Future of Farming
Nitricity (company blog) · 2023-12-13

Nitricity's own announcement of its Cultivate Next investment, noting the funds will be used to scale nitrogen production and support its first commercial product, with a quote from Chipotle CFO Jack Hartung.

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Innovative fertilizer products and pioneering producers
www.bcinsight.crugroup.com · 2023-07-31

One of the participants, Californian AgTech start-up Nitricity, went on to secure $20 million of investment for its sustainable and local nitrogen fertilizer production technology. ...

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Renewable Nitrogen Fertilizer Pioneer Nitricity Raises $20 ...
www.nitricity.co · 2022-10-18

Renewable Nitrogen Fertilizer Pioneer Nitricity Raises $20 Million In Series A Funding Written By Guest User **SAN FRANCISCO, October 18, 2022** – Nitricity, the agtech startup revolutionizing nitrogen fertilizer production, announced today the close of its Series A investment capital raise at $20...

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FoA 325: Electrified and Distributed Fertilizer Production with Nico Pinkowski
Future of Agriculture Podcast · 2022-08-24

Nico Pinkowski joins the Future of Agriculture podcast to discuss Nitricity's mission to decarbonize fertilizer production using electrified, distributed plasma technology at the farm level.

[PODCAST]

FoA 325: Electrified and Distributed Fertilizer Production with Nico Pinkowski
Future of Agriculture Podcast / Spotify · 2022-08-24

Spotify version of Future of Agriculture Podcast episode 325 featuring Nitricity co-founder Nico Pinkowski on electrified distributed fertilizer production.

[VIDEO]

Decarbonizing Fertilizer | Nitricity
Nitricity / YouTube · 2021-10-26

Nicolas Pinkowski narrates an overview of Nitricity's plasma-based distributed fertilizer technology, explaining how air, water, and electricity can produce nitrogen fertilizer on-site.

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Non-Equilibrium Plasma for Energy-Efficient Nitrogen Fixation
www.highergov.com · 2021-07-19

1954-1720 Nitricity Inc. ...

[VIDEO]

Nitricity: Ready-to-use Nitrogen Fertilizer Using Only Air, Water, and Electricity
iSelect Fund Ventures / YouTube · 2021-01-11

Nico Pinkowski presents Nitricity at an iSelect Fund pitch, describing their electrified process to produce ready-to-use nitrogen fertilizer at the farm level.

[PODCAST]

Ep 124: Nicolas Pinkowski, Co-Founder of Nitricity
MCJ Inevitable Podcast / Apple Podcasts · 2020-09-28

MCJ Inevitable podcast episode 124 featuring Nitricity co-founder Nicolas Pinkowski discussing how lightning-powered plasma technology can produce fertilizer without fossil fuels.

[PODCAST]

Ep 124: Nicolas Pinkowski, Co-Founder of Nitricity
MCJ Inevitable Podcast / Spotify · 2020-09-28

Spotify version of MCJ Inevitable episode 124 — Nicolas Pinkowski explains Nitricity's lightning-powered nitrogen fertilizer production technology.

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Nicolas H. Pinkowski (@NicoPinkowski) / X
x.com · 2013-04-01

Building Nitricity | Fertilizer infrastructure Fremont nitricity.co ... @SecRollins held a press conference yesterday on the U.S. fertilizer crisis — 30% more domestic nitrogen, 200% more phosphate. @ENERGY and @USDA have already bet on this. ARPA-E grant + $4M FPEP award to @Nitricity. We make fert...

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Are regenerative agriculture products healthier?
FI Global Insights · 2026-11-11

FI Global Insights covers Edacious's partnership with the Regenerative Organic Alliance and its testing of 46 Regenerative Organic Certified products.

[ARTICLE]

Regenerative Organic Nutrition Report
Edacious and Regenerative Organic Alliance · 2026-11-07

The joint Edacious and Regenerative Organic Alliance report presents laboratory testing of Regenerative Organic Certified products to assess nutritional density, quality and safety.

[ARTICLE]

Eric Smith — Why Nutrient Density Data Is Changing Everything We Know About Food
Investing in Regenerative Agriculture · 2026-09-01

Edacious CEO Eric Smith returned to the Investing in Regenerative Agriculture podcast to share that the company's lab has now processed over 6,000 food samples and generated nearly a million analytical data points, revealing measurable links between farming practices and nutrient density.

[ARTICLE]

Community Food Works and Edacious Partner to Shift the Conversation on Farm Economics from Yield to Nutritional Quality
EIN Presswire · 2026-07-23

Community Food Works and Edacious launched a study measuring nutritional quality across a full wheat supply chain from regional farms through milling to finished bread, to build the data foundation for nutrition-based premium pricing for farmers.

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Alexandre Family Farm's Regenerative Dairy Practices Verified by Science
LinkedIn · 2026-06-23

Edacious described yearlong testing that verified nutritional data for Alexandre Family Farm’s regenerative dairy products.

[ARTICLE]

Alexandre Family Farm and Edacious Partnership Sets New Standard for Dairy Transparency with Verified Nutrition Data
NOSH · 2026-06-23

Alexandre Family Farm and Edacious announced a long-term partnership to continuously test and publish verified nutritional data across their dairy portfolio, establishing a new benchmark for transparency in regenerative dairy.

[ARTICLE]

Alexandre Family Farm Releases Third-Party Study Showing Nutritional Advantages of Its A2/A2 Regenerative Milk
PR Newswire · 2026-06-17

Alexandre Family Farm released Edacious-verified third-party nutritional data showing its 100% grass-fed A2/A2 milk achieves a roughly 1:1 omega-6 to omega-3 ratio, significantly outperforming conventional dairy benchmarks.

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How Verde Farms Proved That Higher Standards Produce Better Beef
LinkedIn · 2026-05-29

Edacious shared a nutrient-density study comparing Verde Farms beef with other grass-fed products.

[LINKEDIN_POST]

USDA FSIS Approved Nutrition Facts Panel for 100% Grass-Fed Beef
LinkedIn · 2026-05-13

Edacious described its work with Home Place Pastures to verify beef nutrition and support an approved Nutrition Facts Panel.

[ARTICLE]

Verde Farms Delivers More Nutrition and Better Taste, Backed by Science
Edacious / PR Newswire · 2026-05-13

Verde Farms commissioned Edacious to independently benchmark its organic grass-fed beef against conventional and non-organic grass-fed products, revealing 47% more iron and 41% more zinc, alongside Master Chefs recognition for flavor.

[ARTICLE]

Regen Nutrition Project Measures Real Food Nutrient Density
Food Tank · 2026-05-08

Food Tank describes the Regen Nutrition Project, a collaboration involving Edacious to compare the nutrient content of regeneratively produced foods with conventional crops.

[LINKEDIN_POST]

One-Click COA Download Now Available
LinkedIn · 2026-05-07

Edacious announced one-click access to customers' Certificates of Analysis in its platform.

[LINKEDIN_POST]

Nutrient Density Initiative Industry Brief Launched - LinkedIn
LinkedIn · 2026-04-27

Edacious supported a Nutrient Density Initiative brief connecting soil health and nutrient density.

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How Alexandre Family Farm Turned Belief into Verified Truth
Edacious · 2026-03-25

Edacious conducted a year-long nutrition study across five Alexandre Family Farm properties, testing milk monthly to capture seasonal variability and producing verified data linking regenerative grazing practices to superior nutrient outcomes.

[LINKEDIN_POST]

Advancing Eco Agriculture and Edacious partner to measure ...
LinkedIn · 2025-10-02

Edacious's LinkedIn post announces a partnership with Advancing Eco Agriculture to measure regenerative-agriculture outcomes.

[ARTICLE]

AEA Partners with Edacious to Accelerate Regenerative Agriculture
Advancing Eco Agriculture · 2025-10-02

Advancing Eco Agriculture and Edacious partnered to give AEA growers discounted access to nutrient density testing, linking regenerative farm practices to measurable nutritional outcomes and enabling farmers to differentiate product quality.

[ARTICLE]

Edacious and Regenerative Organic Alliance Enter Collaboration to Measure Nutritional Impact of Regenerative Organic Certified Agriculture
PR Newswire · 2025-09-10

Edacious and the Regenerative Organic Alliance launched a four-year partnership to test over 200 ROC-certified food products through the Edacious Food Lab, generating nutritional and toxicity data to quantify the benefits of regenerative organic farming.

[ARTICLE]

Is Local Food Actually Healthier? Wyebrook Farm Has the Proof.
Local Line · 2025-06-19

Wyebrook Farm used Edacious testing to verify the superior nutritional quality of its pasture-raised products, producing the first third-party verified nutrient data for a farm on the Local Line platform.

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Eric Smith — Helping Brands Prove That Regenerative Products Are More Nutritious
Regen Brands Podcast · 2025-05-30

Edacious CEO Eric Smith joined the Regen Brands podcast to discuss how the platform enables brands to generate and communicate verified nutritional data linking regenerative practices to measurable food quality improvements.

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Local Line and Edacious Partner to Bring Detailed Nutrition Labeling to Family Farms
Local Line · 2025-02-14

Local Line and Edacious announced a partnership giving family farms on the Local Line platform access to discounted nutrient density testing and verified nutrition labeling for their products.

[ARTICLE]

Edacious Raises $8.1 Million in Series Seed Funding to Unlock Nutrient Density in Whole Foods & Ingredients
PR Newswire · 2025-02-07

Edacious closed an $8.1M Series Seed round led by Patagonia's Tin Shed Ventures, with participation from Nest Family Office, Trailhead Capital, Grantham Environmental Trust, iSelect Capital, and others, to scale its nutrient density testing lab and software platform.

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Local Line Selected as Farm-to-Fork Partner of Chipotle Mexican Grill
Local Line (company blog) · 2023-03-22

Local Line's own announcement of its selection as Chipotle's farm-to-fork sourcing partner and Cultivate Next investment, detailing how the platform will help Chipotle procure local produce across its 3,200-restaurant U.S. system.

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Local Food Sourcing for Buyers | Local Line
www.localline.co · 2026-10-28

Local Food Sourcing for Buyers | Local Line ... # One platform for farm-direct procurement.

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Local Food Sourcing for Buyers | Local Line
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How to Sell To Chefs, Families and Grocers
www.localline.co · 2026-10-23

|Sales channel|Best for|Margin|Effort once set up|Pairs well with| |--|--|--|--|--| |Food hubs and aggregation|Wider product range, shared logistics|Medium|Medium|Wholesale, grocery| ... Connecting your Square POS to Local Line with Square Sync keeps the loop honest.

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Feature Overview
www.localline.co · 2026-10-23

This guide walks through how to run a CSA in six steps, from choosing your model to setting a weekly rhythm, then covers the tools you need and how Local Line brings them together.

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Local Line Pricing, Reviews & Features - Capterra Canada 2026
www.capterra.ca · 2026-10-12

> Local Line connects the regional food supply chain, helping farmers grow direct sales and buyers source from farm. ...

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Mobile Market Food Literacy | Learn, Grow, Eat Better - Farmers' Truck
farmerstruck.com · 2026-10-12

That's why Farmers' Truck has partnered with Local Line, a platform built to make buying directly from local farmers simpler, more transparent, and more affordable for mobile market operators. ...

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#1 Farm e-Commerce Software: Sell Farm Products Online
www.localline.co · 2026-09-25

#1 Farm e-Commerce Software: Sell Farm Products Online | Local Line # Farm E-CommercE ## E-commerce for farmers. Built for every customer and every way you sell. Local Line gives you a fully branded online store built around how farms actually sell: by weight, by subscription, to retail and wholesal...

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1 CSA Software for Farms - Local Line
www.localline.co · 2026-09-17

Local Line is the only platform built that perfectly marries your CSA model with your a-la-carte sales. Set up recurring shares, member-choice boxes, flexible skips, and automated payments. ... Community supported agriculture software, sometimes called CSA management software, helps farms manage eve...

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Log In to Local Line | For Suppliers & Buyers
www.localline.co · 2026-09-17

Source, order, and receive from local suppliers in one platform built for procurement teams. ... The complete operating system for farms and food hubs, from e-commerce to fulfillment to payments. ... Sign in to browse suppliers, place orders, and manage your account.

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Simple Online Sales for Local Food Brands
www.localline.co · 2026-09-17

The platform local CPG brand rely on to manage wholesale accounts, sell direct-to-consumer, and get placed on retail shelves. ... What is Local Line? Local Line is a sales and distribution platform built specifically for local food businesses. We help CPG producers like you streamline wholesale orde...

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Past Events
farmtoinstitution.org · 2026-08-04

Scaling your Food Business for Wholesale: Introducing Local LineJun 7, 2024 | Noon ET | VirtualAre you looking for ways to sell your products to larger wholesale buyers? Unsure of the next steps to expand your business? Looking for ways to find new sales channels? In this webinar, Sustainable Busine...

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Success Stories
www.localline.co · 2026-07-30

Source, order, and receive from local suppliers in one platform built for procurement teams. ... The complete operating system for farms and food hubs, from e-commerce to fulfillment to payments. ... Discover how Pizza Amore scaled to 45 stores in six months using Local Line’s software to manage ord...

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Local Line | Waterloo other | Altss
altss.com · 2026-07-09

Local Line is the go-to commerce platform for buying & selling local food. Trusted by the world's best farms, farmers, grocers, and restaurants.

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How E-Commerce Increases Profit for Regenerative Farms & Ranches
Local Line Blog · 2026-04-26

Explains how e-commerce can help regenerative farms and ranches increase profits by selling direct-to-consumer, setting premium prices, and building stronger brands.

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How to Prevent Stockouts & Overselling on Your Farm
Local Line Blog · 2026-04-26

Outlines inventory management practices to prevent overselling and stockouts, highlighting Local Line features like real-time tracking, multi-package support, and re-stock reminders.

[VIDEO]

The Rise of Selling Local Food and Flowers Online with Cole Jones
Growing For Market Magazine / YouTube · 2026-04-02

Cole Jones of Local Line joins Growing For Market to discuss how online selling platforms have transformed how small farms market and sell local produce and flowers.

[PODCAST]

The Rise of Selling Local Food and Flowers Online
Growing For Market / Spotify · 2026-04-02

Spotify version of the Growing For Market episode with Cole Jones of Local Line on the growth of online local food and flower sales.

[ARTICLE]

Workshop Recording | Local Line for Produce Growers
www.localline.co · 2026-03-11

Grocers All-in-one DSD platform. Restaurants Source local ingredients.

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Nova Scotia Launches CSA Incentive Pilot Program with ...
LinkedIn · 2026-02-12

Nova Scotia Launches CSA Incentive Pilot Program with Local Line | Local Line posted on the topic | LinkedIn ... # Nova Scotia Launches CSA Incentive Pilot Program with Local Line ...

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Sysco Marketplace Expands to Local Line Farm-Direct Products
LinkedIn · 2026-02-11

Local Line announced that Sysco Marketplace would add farm-direct products from Local Line suppliers.

[BLOG]

Year in Review: Local Line's 2025 Highlights
Local Line Blog · 2025-12-23

Local Line recaps 2025 achievements including 33% sales growth for user farms and the launch of the Discover feature.

[PRESS RELEASE]

Farms Using Local Line Grew Their Sales by 33% in 2025
Local Line Blog · 2025-12-10

Local Line announces 33% sales growth for its farm users in 2025.

[NEWS]

Laurier alum Cole Jones builds e-commerce platform Local Line to help farmers boost sales, cut waste
Wilfrid Laurier University · 2025-11-20

Laurier University profiles alumnus Cole Jones and Local Line's growth to 10,000 farmers in 14 countries, noting the platform has saved more than 1.5 billion food travel kilometres and recently won a Foodtech Frontier award.

[NEWS]

Local Line Enhances Connection Between Farmers
Retail Insider Canada · 2025-11-07

Profile of Local Line CEO Cole Jones and how the platform now supports 10,000+ active farmers in 14 countries, with Chipotle, Sweetgreen, and Whole Foods among its buyers, enabling over $200M in annual sales.

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Livestock Farmer's Guide to Streamlining Orders - Local Line
www.localline.co · 2025-10-27

Grocers All-in-one DSD platform. Restaurants Source local ingredients.

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Farms using award-winning software made in Ont. to streamline sales
www.ctvnews.ca · 2025-10-03

Farmers have a new way to reach their customers thanks to software designed in Ontario. Commerce platform Local Line was developed by CEO Cole Jones while he was attending Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo, Ont. Eventually, the company opened an office through Communitech, an innovation hub in ...

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Local Line recognized as a Rising Star at Canadian Food Innovation Network's Foodtech Frontier Awards 2025
LinkedIn (Local Line) · 2025-10-01

Local Line announces its recognition as a Rising Star at Canada's inaugural Foodtech Frontier Awards, recognizing fast-growing companies building transformative food industry solutions.

[LINKEDIN]

Cultivate Next invests in Local Line, boosts local sourcing
Chipotle LinkedIn · 2025-07-02

Chipotle highlights its Cultivate Next investment in Local Line and expansion to 14 countries.

[BLOG]

The Platform Behind Chipotle's 47m Lbs. of Local Produce
Local Line Blog · 2025-06-30

Chipotle partnered with Local Line via Cultivate Next to streamline local sourcing, achieving over 47 million pounds of local produce in 2024.

[PODCAST]

Using Local Line as an Aggregator
Farm Small Farm Smart Daily / Apple Podcasts · 2025-03-29

Farm Small Farm Smart Daily episode featuring Local Line as a tool for small farms to aggregate and sell local produce, with practical guidance on using the platform as a market aggregator.

[VIDEO]

Working on Chipotle's Local Sourcing Program and What's Next for Local Line
The Modern Acre / YouTube · 2024-02-20

Cole Jones of Local Line discusses the Chipotle local sourcing partnership and where Local Line is heading, including their platform for aggregating and connecting local farms to buyers.

[PODCAST]

Working on Chipotle's Local Sourcing Program and What's Next for Local Line
The Modern Acre / Spotify · 2024-02-20

Spotify version of The Modern Acre episode 334 featuring Cole Jones on Local Line's Chipotle partnership and future direction.

[VIDEO]

Episode 100: Digitizing Local Farms with Cole Jones of Local Line
HNGRY / YouTube · 2023-12-11

HNGRY podcast 100th episode featuring Cole Jones of Local Line, discussing the company's software platform for local food supply chains and the Chipotle local sourcing partnership.

[ARTICLE]

3 Vs of Supply Chain Innovations Awards honor companies impacting the supply chain
www.thescxchange.com · 2023-10-02

The first presentations of the evening included the top three finalists for the 3 Vs Business Innovation Award: transportation optimization company Provision AI; Local Line, a supply chain platform for regional food systems; and artificial intelligence planning software company Transvoyant. ... This...

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Freight Farms Partners With Local Line to Support Farm Businesses ...
www.freightfarms.com · 2023-06-30

June 30, 2023 — Freight Farms is launching a new partnership with Local Line, an all-in-one sales platform for farmers. ...

[BLOG]

Local Line Selected as Farm-to-Fork Partner of Chipotle Mexican Grill
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Local Line's own announcement of its selection as Chipotle's farm-to-fork sourcing partner and Cultivate Next investment, detailing how the platform will help Chipotle procure local produce across its 3,200-restaurant U.S. system.

[PODCAST]

A Detailed Look at Local Line
Spotify · 2020-05-19

Early deep-dive episode on Local Line's platform and how it supports local farm e-commerce and supply chain management.

[PODCAST]

Secrets to Online Store Success with Cole Jones of Local Line
My Digital Farmer Podcast · 2020-04-01

Early Local Line episode where CEO Cole Jones appears on My Digital Farmer to explain how farms can use Local Line's e-commerce tools to sell produce online.

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Sourcing Software for Restaurants | Local Line Farm-to-Fork Platform
www.localline.co ·

Direct sourcing programs aren't built on good intentions, they're built on infrastructure.\nLocal Line makes buying direct from farms reliable, scalable, and consistent.\n...\nLocal Line is built for how restaurants actually buy — whether you'

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#1 Food Hub Software | Local Line
www.localline.co ·

Software that helps food hubs scale without chaos.\nLocal Line is built specifically for how food hubs operate: multi-vendors, complex logistics, and buyers who expect quality and reliability.\n...\nLocal Line is built specifically for regi

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Everything you need to source direct at scale.\n...\nIf a supplier is already on Local Line, click 'Connect' and start ordering near instantly.\n...\nFind Local Line suppliers already listed on Sysco Marketplace, US Foods Direct, and GFS End

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parsers.vc · 2024-11-15

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Computer Vision Engineer
lumachain.ai · 2026-10-12

Lumachain is a high profile, well-funded Australian start-up currently looking for more world-class Computer Vision Engineers to join our elite team. Hiring senior, mid-level and junior/graduate roles, Lumachain is developing a complex computer vision-based Artificial Intelligence platform in a high...

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Continuous AI Monitoring for Production Performance
lumachain.ai · 2026-10-11

Factory Optimization Solutions – Lumachain | Illuminate our future - ** engitech@mail.com ... Lumachain continuously monitors production environments using computer vision AI, helping plant teams identify operational variation as it occurs and respond before losses accumulate.

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Lumachain Review (2026): Pricing, Pros & Cons
www.itechguides.com · 2026-09-27

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LumaChain - The Future of Decentralized Finance
www.lumachain.com.br · 2026-09-25

LUMA is a decentralized blockchain project built on the Polygon (MATIC) network. It was created to bring trust, transparency, and purpose to decentralized finance (DeFi). ... **Token Name:** LUMA **Symbol:** LUMA **Network:** Polygon (MATIC) **Standard:** ERC-20 ... **Total Supply:** 300,000,000 LUM...

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Jamila Gordon, CEO of Lumachain | SME Business Review
smebusinessreview.com · 2026-09-08

Jamila Gordon: We work with the world's leading protein processors, quick service restaurants and retailers to improve plant operations and yields, food safety and quality, animal welfare and supply chain traceability. ... Lumachain is a technology company that uses a SaaS platform powered by Comput...

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Posts - Huaxi Huang
agentichhx.xin · 2026-08-08

Huaxi has joined Lumachain as a Computer Vision and Machine Learning Engineer.

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Lumachain: Funding, Team & Investors | Startup Intros
startupintros.com · 2026-07-13

Lumachain provides a comprehensive end-to-end solution for food supply chains, utilizing AI to enhance safety, yield, quality, efficiency, and traceability. ... **Lumachain** is an AI-powered technology company founded in 2018 that builds a comprehensive end-to-end platform for transforming food sup...

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Lumachain Funding: $23.0M Raised, Investors & History (2026) | Indexed.vc
indexed.vc · 2026-06-21

Lumachain Illuminate our future – Lighting the way for an efficient, safe and trusted food supply chain Sydney, Australia · Founded 2018 · $23.0M raised ... - **Website** lumachain.ai ...

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Pet Food Industry News: Wynwood, Fussie, Meatly, Weruva ...
LinkedIn · 2026-05-08

AI-enhanced handling: Sustainable Beef partners with Lumachain meatpoultry.com

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Is AI the future of animal welfare monitoring? Lumachain at 2026 Conference
LinkedIn / Meat Institute · 2026-04-09

Meat Institute highlights Lumachain's Sustainable Beef deployment at the 2026 Animal Care and Handling Conference, showcasing 24/7 real-time welfare oversight.

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AI-enhanced handling: Sustainable Beef partners with Lumachain
Instagram (Spilled Salt Podcast) · 2026-04-06

Social media post referencing Sustainable Beef's AI-enhanced handling partnership with Lumachain, connecting the supply chain traceability platform to a major beef processing operation.

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AI-enhanced handling: Sustainable Beef partners with ...
www.meatpoultry.com · 2026-03-17

Computer vision artificial intelligence (AI) company, Lumachain, aids Sustainable Beef in maintaining many of its Eight Points. Founded in 2019 and headquartered in Sydney, Australia, with US headquarters in Atlanta, Ga., the company focuses its services on the global food and beverage industries.

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Lumachain - Products, Competitors, Financials, Employees ...
www.cbinsights.com · 2026-01-18

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Sustainable Beef deploys AI welfare monitoring
Western Livestock Journal · 2025-12-19

Western Livestock Journal covers Lumachain's AI animal welfare system deployed at Sustainable Beef's new plant in Nebraska.

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AI in Food Chain: Lumachain, Cainthus, TOMRA, Wasteless - LinkedIn
LinkedIn · 2025-12-11

We look at Lumachain, Cainthus, TOMRA Food, and Wasteless to see what \"always-on\" really means from farm to fork.

[PRESS RELEASE]

Lumachain Partners with Sustainable Beef to Deliver 24/7 AI-based Animal Welfare Monitoring
Lumachain / Meat+Poultry · 2025-12-11

Lumachain deploys its computer-vision Animal Welfare monitoring platform at Sustainable Beef's new Nebraska plant, the first large U.S. beef packing plant with AI-driven 100% welfare verification.

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Sustainable Beef deploys AI animal welfare monitoring system at new Nebraska plant
The Provisioner Online · 2025-12-11

Trade coverage of Lumachain's computer-vision platform going live at Sustainable Beef's Nebraska facility for continuous AI welfare oversight.

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Lumachain lands $3.5 million for tech tackling modern slavery in food supply chains
www.smartcompany.com.au · 2025-02-02

Aussie startup Lumachain has secured $3.5 million in funding for its blockchain technology tracking food supply chains, and tackling modern slavery at the same time. The funding round was led by Main Sequence Ventures, the manager of CSIRO’s Innovation Fund.

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www.owler.com · 2024-10-15

Lumachain is an Australia based AI platform that provides blockchain technology for tracking the origin, location and condition of items in the food supply chain...Founder & CEO Jamila Gordon CEO Approval Rating ... Weigh In 2018 Sydney New South Wales Private Food & Beverages F&B Technology http://...

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LinkedIn · 2023-05-25

Jamila Gordon has been an inspiration to work with in the Lumachain journey to transform the food supply chain for good. ... Lumachain 21,937 followers 2y

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www.salary.com · 2022-08-25

Lumachain provides a platform that offers customers five core modules: safety, yield, quality, efficiency, and traceability. The solution also drives improved Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) outcomes, including improved animal wellbeing and end-to-end traceability data to enable positive ...

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How AI Can Help Shatter Barriers to Equality | Jamila Gordon
TED Talks / YouTube · 2021-01-28

Official TED Talk by Lumachain founder Jamila Gordon from TEDWomen 2020 — she explains how AI is helping refugees and migrants find work and develop skills, with Lumachain's food supply chain platform as the example.

[PODCAST]

How AI Can Help Shatter Barriers to Equality | Jamila Gordon
TED Talks Daily / Spotify · 2021-01-08

TED Talks Daily podcast audio version of Jamila Gordon's TEDWomen 2020 talk on how Lumachain's AI platform is helping disadvantaged workers in global food supply chains.

[VIDEO]

How Artificial Intelligence Creates Opportunity for All | Jamila Gordon
TEDx / YouTube · 2020-12-18

Lumachain CEO and Founder Jamila Gordon delivers a presentation on how AI creates opportunity for disadvantaged workers in global food supply chains, using Lumachain's computer vision platform as an example.

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Lumachain
x.com · 2019-07-28

Lighting the way for trusted supply chain & helping end slavery. Joined July 2019 6 ... Ex-Qantas exec tackles food slavery with blockchain

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Supply Chain Traceability Solutions
lumachain.io ·

Lumachain provides structured product traceability as products move through processing plants, across borders, and around the world.\nThe platform integrates with existing operational and logistics systems to maintain continuous visibility o

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Chipotle's Cultivate Next Invests in Plant-Based Regenerative Farming Startup Simpli
Green Queen · 2026-07-10

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eatsimpli.com · 2026-10-28

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Gigante Bean Dip with Crispy Sage - SIMPLi
eatsimpli.com · 2026-10-23

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SIMPLi PANTRY RESTOCK SET
eatsimpli.com · 2026-10-18

SIMPLi PANTRY RESTOCK SET The SIMPLi Pantry Restock Set bundles our most-loved quinoa, beans, lentils, salt, and Greek Extra Virgin Olive Oil so real nourishment is always within reach. From quick bowls and soups to salads and sautés, every ingredient is grown regeneratively, purity-tested, and read...

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magazine.wharton.upenn.edu · 2026-10-16

This food brand is bringing pantry staples to the table from sustainable farms in South America and Europe. The company — co-founded by Sarela Herrada WG25 and her husband, Matt Cohen — sources organic products from farmers who practice regenerative agriculture.

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SIMPLi X LUNDBERG: THE HEIRLOOM HARVEST BUNDLE
eatsimpli.com · 2026-10-16

- **SIMPLi Extra Virgin Olive Oil (16.9oz):** ** ** Bright, peppery, and packed with heart-healthy polyphenols, this extra virgin olive oil brings grains, beans, and salads to life with every drizzle. ...

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Food That Actually Takes Care of You - SIMPLi
eatsimpli.com · 2026-10-16

At SIMPLi, we partner directly with farmers who are committed to regenerative practices that rebuild soil, restore ecosystems, and grow food the right way from the beginning. ...

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SIMPLi PANTRY RESTOCK SET
eatsimpli.com · 2026-10-16

The SIMPLi Pantry Restock Set bundles our most-loved quinoa, beans, lentils, salt, and Greek Extra Virgin Olive Oil so real nourishment is always within reach. ...

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SIMPLi Brings New Items Exclusively to Whole Foods for Limited Time
storebrands.com · 2026-10-09

SIMPLi, a brand of Regenerative Organic Certified, single-origin, plant-based products, is launching new products exclusively at Whole Foods Market for a three-month period.\\r\\n\\r\\nAvailable now, SIMPLi's new pantry items will be available nationally at Whole Foods Market as a limited-time exclu...

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SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified® Heirloom Beans ...
eatsimpli.com · 2026-10-03

Protein-packed, fiber-rich, and ready for anything. Our beans and lentils are everyday kitchen heroes, perfect for soups, tacos, grain bowls, or plant-forward mains. Stock up and make healthy, flavorful meals. - ### 3-PACK SIMPLi REGENERATIVE ORGANIC CERTIFIED® GIGANTE BEANS ### 3-PACK SIMPLi REGENE...

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Regenerative Organic Greek Extra Virgin Olive Oil | 16.9 fl oz | SIMPLi | Good Eggs
www.goodeggs.com · 2026-09-27

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SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified Red Quinoa
hudsonmilk.com · 2026-09-27

Category: Pasta, Rice, & Grains SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified® Red Quinoa will transport your palette to Peru. SIMPLi is the first South American ingredients brand to achieve Regenerative Organic Certified ® for its quinoa and beans. ... SIMPLi Quinoa is sourced directly from farming communi...

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This Subscription Will Make You a Bean Person (And You Want to Be to a Bean Person)
www.bonappetit.com · 2026-09-24

When the brand, which specializes in regenerative organic dry beans, made the announcement, half a dozen people asked me about it. ... In addition to dry beans and other legumes, they sell pantry staples like grains, spices, and oils. ... The first edition consisted of gigante, fava, kidney, and pin...

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SIMPLi on LinkedIn: SIMPLi Expands Nationwide With Whole Foods Market | 12 comments
LinkedIn · 2026-09-20

We’re spilling the beans on some VERY exciting news...you can now find SIMPLi NATIONWIDE at Whole Foods Market AND we’re launching seven NEW Regenerative Organic Certified single-origin, plant-based pantry ingredients that are as nourishing for you as they are for the planet! Starting this month, six ...

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SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified® Greek Extra ...
www.wholefoodsmarket.com · 2026-09-16

SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified® Greek Extra Virgin Olive Oil, Bright & Peppery Finish, High in Polyphenols, Olive ROC Certified, Cold-Pressed, Non-GMO, 16.9 fl oz\n...\n- REGENERATIVE ORGANIC CERTIFIED GREEK EXTRA VIRGIN OLIVE OIL FOR A HEALTHIER YOU - SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified ...

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SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified Pinto Beans, 12 OZ ...
www.wholefoodsmarket.com · 2026-09-16

SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified Pinto Beans, 12 OZ (1-Pack) | Plant-Based Protein, Fiber & Essential Minerals with a Creamy Texture for Tacos, Stews, Soups, Salads & Velvety Spreads ... - REGENERATIVE ORGANIC CERTIFIED PINTO BEANS FOR A HEALTHIER YOU - SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified P...

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Growth strengthens or weakens the mission
LinkedIn · 2026-08-19

Growth strengthens or weakens the mission | SIMPLi posted on the topic | LinkedIn

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SIMPLi - Regenerative Organic Alliance
regenorganic.org · 2026-08-17

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Simpli Gummies: Simplify Your Health With Ketogenic ...
messenger.eso.org · 2026-08-08

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SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified Tri-Color Quinoa, ...
www.wholefoodsmarket.com · 2026-08-07

SIMPLi # SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified Tri-Color Quinoa, Ancient Grain, Complete Plant-Based Protein, Naturally Gluten-Free, Organic Quinoa, (2 Pack, 12 oz each) ... - REGENERATIVE ORGANIC CERTIFIED & SUSTAINABLY SOURCED - SIMPLi Tri-Color Quinoa is more than just a superfood—it's a super su...

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Simplify Splitting the Check with Quick-Split | Sophia Dominic posted ...
LinkedIn · 2026-08-06

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gtap.agecon.purdue.edu · 2026-08-06

SIMPLE is an acronym for a global economic model of food and the environment. It stands for the **Simplified International Model of agricultural Prices, Land use, and the Environment**. Its gridded version, SIMPLE-G, takes things a step further, offering a detailed, spatially resolved view of land, ...

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SIMPLi Beans, Quinoa, Lentils and Oils - Whole Foods Market
www.wholefoodsmarket.com · 2026-08-05

SIMPLi Beans, Quinoa, Lentils and Oils ... SIMPLiSIMPLi Regenerative Pure Avocado Oil, 16.9 fl oz | Avocado Oil* ...

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Simplifying Job Applications for a Better Candidate Experience
LinkedIn · 2026-08-05

First, stop applying to everything. Start applying to the right things. ... Fifth, talk to recruiters.

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SIMPLi Beans, Quinoa, Lentils and Oils - Whole Foods Market
www.wholefoodsmarket.com · 2026-08-05

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www.conservation.org · 2026-08-05

SIMPLi is a global sustainable food company that provides authentic, single-origin ingredients to home cooks and top chefs across the nation. Their high-quality products range from grains, beans, legumes, and oils to spices, and superfoods. Its ethical sourcing model began in Peru where it sources a...

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Simpli Painted | Charlotte's Trusted Cabinet Painters
simplipainted.com · 2026-08-04

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www.wholefoodsmarket.com · 2026-08-02

SIMPLi # SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified® Spanish Extra Virgin Olive Oil, Fruity & Smooth, High in Polyphenols, Cold-Pressed, Non-GMO, 16.9 fl oz ## Description - REGENERATIVE ORGANIC CERTIFIED SPANISH EXTRA VIRGIN OLIVE OIL FOR A HEALTHIER YOU - SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified Spanish E...

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Boost Football Season Campaigns with Programmatic ...
LinkedIn · 2026-07-30

Boost Football Season Campaigns with Programmatic Advertising | Simpli.fi posted on the topic | LinkedIn

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SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified® Extra Virgin ...
www.wholefoodsmarket.com · 2026-07-30

SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified® Extra Virgin Avocado Oil, High Smoke Point, Rich in Antioxidants, Cold-Pressed, Non-GMO, 16.9 fl oz Select Flavor: **Extra Virgin Avocado Oil** Extra Virgin Avocado Oil Spanish Extra Virgin Olive Oil ## Description - REGENERATIVE ORGANIC CERTIFIED EXTRA VIRGI...

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Red Lentil Bolognese – SIMPLi
eatsimpli.com · 2026-07-20

– SIMPLi ... Our Red Lentil Bolognese swaps in SIMPLi's single-origin red lentils for a rich, deeply savory sauce that simmers down into something rustic and comforting, think slow-cooked tomatoes, sweet caramelized onion, and a hit of garlic and herbs, all wrapped around lentils that turn tender an...

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Cora's Lemon Olive Oil Cake with SIMPLi
reve-en-vert.com · 2026-07-18

Cora’s Lemon Olive Oil Cake with SIMPLi ... When SIMPLi asked me to create a recipe for late summer, I knew I wanted to do something with their amazing Extra Virgin Olive Oil.

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SIMPLi
eat.edacious.com · 2026-07-14

At SIMPLi, we partner directly with farmers who are committed to regenerative practices that rebuild soil, restore ecosystems, and grow food the right way from the beginning. By working closely with the farmers, we ensure every crop is produced with intention—using methods like crop rotation and com...

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Chipotle’s Cultivate Next Invests in Plant-Based Regenerative Farming Startup Simpli
Green Queen · 2026-07-10

Green Queen reports that Chipotle Mexican Grill’s Cultivate Next venture fund invested in SIMPLi, highlighting SIMPLi’s regenerative-organic sourcing model and traceable pantry-staples supply chain.

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Today is a big day for our team: SIMPLi is one of six companies to receive an investment from Cultivate Next
LinkedIn · 2026-07-08

SIMPLi announces it is one of six emerging companies receiving an investment from Chipotle's Cultivate Next fund, reiterating its focus on regenerative-organic sourcing, nutrient-density measurement, and fully traceable supply chains.

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SIMPLi empowers farming communities through its Regenerative Organic Certified supply chains
Non-GMO Report · 2026-06-26

SIMPLi expanded its direct Regenerative Organic Certified supply chains and rolled out eight ROC products at Whole Foods Market nationwide while continuing farmer partnership programs.

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SIMPLi's Post
LinkedIn · 2026-06-15

SIMPLi recapped its participation in the KeHE Distributors Holiday Show, highlighting retailer and distributor conversations and its products' presence in a showcase focused on regenerative agriculture.

[PODCAST]

Why Organic Is Not Enough and What We Are Getting Wrong
When Millennials Become Moms / Apple Podcasts · 2026-04-14

Sarela Herrada of SIMPLi discusses why the organic label alone is insufficient and how regenerative organic practices go further to benefit the environment, farmers, and consumers.

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SIMPLi wholesale products
www.faire.com · 2026-04-09

SIMPLi offers elevated pantry staples that bring health, wellness, and integrity back to the kitchen. We ethically source the highest-quality, single-origin ingredients from around the world—nourishing, nutrient-dense foods crafted with care. As a leader in the regenerative food movement, SIMPLi off...

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erewhon.com · 2026-03-01

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Authentic Regenerative Supply Chain Practices with Sarela Herrada
LinkedIn · 2026-02-23

Authentic Regenerative Supply Chain Practices with Sarela Herrada | SIMPLi posted on the topic | LinkedIn ... SIMPLi 13,633 followers

[PODCAST]

Sarela Herrada on Regenerative Organic Agriculture — The Curious Consumer Podcast
Spotify / The Curious Consumer · 2026-02-19

SIMPLi co-founder Sarela Herrada joins The Curious Consumer podcast to discuss regenerative organic agriculture and building authentic supply chains.

[PRESS RELEASE]

SIMPLi Accelerates Regenerative Organic Innovation with 10 New Pantry Staples
PR Newswire · 2026-02-09

SIMPLi launched 10 new Regenerative Organic Certified products including oils, lentils, heirloom beans, and ancient grains.

[NEWS]

SIMPLi's biggest launch yet puts regenerative organic front and center in the pantry
Nosh.com · 2026-02-09

Nosh covers SIMPLi's expansion of Regenerative Organic Certified products across oils, beans and grains.

[PRESS RELEASE]

SIMPLi Accelerates Regenerative Organic Innovation with 10 New Pantry Staples
Yahoo Finance · 2026-02-09

Yahoo Finance coverage of SIMPLi's launch of 10 new Regenerative Organic Certified offerings at Whole Foods Market, accelerating its mission to expand regenerative organic pantry staples.

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#newtyawards #regnerativeag #expowest2026 #avocadooil | SIMPLi
LinkedIn · 2026-02-04

SIMPLi announced its 2026 NEXTY Award finalist recognition for regenerative-organic avocado oil.

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Publix now carries Regenerative Organic Certified black beans and chickpeas
LinkedIn / SIMPLi · 2026-01-21

SIMPLi expands to Publix Super Markets with Regenerative Organic Certified black beans and chickpeas.

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Regenerative Sourcing: SIMPLi cited as model for long-term farmer relationships
LinkedIn · 2026-01-12

SIMPLi and founder Sarela Herrada cited as a model for regenerative sourcing, building multi-generational farmer relationships that prioritize trust over transactions.

[SOCIAL MEDIA]

Whole Foods Instagram feature: Sarela Herrada, SIMPLi co-founder
Instagram / Whole Foods · 2025-11-07

Whole Foods Market features SIMPLi co-founder Sarela Herrada on their Instagram, highlighting her love for Mother Earth and the company's regenerative food mission.

[VIDEO]

Beyond The Board: SIMPLi | Whole Foods Market
Whole Foods Market (YouTube) · 2025-11-06

Whole Foods Market's Beyond the Board podcast video featuring co-founder Sarela Herrada discussing her encounter with quinoa farmers in South America, SIMPLi's ethical sourcing mission, and its blueprint for sustainable food businesses.

[PODCAST]

Beyond The Board: SIMPLi (Whole Foods Market Podcast)
Whole Foods Market / Apple Podcasts · 2025-11-06

Whole Foods Market podcast episode featuring SIMPLi co-founder Sarela Herrada, discussing her journey from Peru to building a regenerative organic pantry staples brand with a global farming community.

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#wegmans #eatsimpli #regenerativeorganic
LinkedIn · 2025-10-27

SIMPLi's LinkedIn post highlights its Wegmans relationship and regenerative-organic products.

[PODCAST]

Building With Farmers — Sarela Herrada of SIMPLi
In the Sauce / Apple Podcasts · 2025-10-16

Sarela Herrada joins the In the Sauce podcast to discuss SIMPLi's model of building long-term partnerships with farmers and regenerative organic sourcing practices.

[PODCAST]

Episode 134: Sarela Herrada of SIMPLi Foods
The Checkout Radio · 2025-09-26

The Checkout Radio episode 134 featuring Sarela Herrada of SIMPLi discussing the brand's retail growth, regenerative organic sourcing, and how they bring transparency to food supply chains.

[VIDEO]

Sarela Herrada, SIMPLi — Sustainable Foods Showcase at Climate Week NYC
YouTube / Food Tank · 2025-09-25

SIMPLi co-founder Sarela Herrada speaks at WNYC / J.P. Morgan Sustainable Foods Showcase during Climate Week NYC on ethical sourcing, 5,500 farmers across 13 countries, and community-driven supply chains.

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9 new Regenerative Organic Certified products at Whole Foods
LinkedIn / SIMPLi · 2025-09-11

SIMPLi announces 9 new products exclusively at Whole Foods including lentils, beans, EVOOs, avocado oil, and farro.

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Chipotle Pinto Bean Tacos - SIMPLi
eatsimpli.com · 2025-09-09

– SIMPLi ... ##### SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified Pinto Beans, dried (or 2 cans cooked pinto beans, drained & rinsed) ...

[VIDEO]

Simpli's Ecosystem Pantry: Sarela Herrada | Know Your Food #13
Know Your Food / YouTube · 2025-08-06

SIMPLi founder Sarela Herrada appears on episode 13 of Know Your Food to discuss the company's regenerative organic sourcing model and how SIMPLi works with Indigenous farming communities.

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Whole Foods highlights SIMPLi in their 2025 Impact Report
LinkedIn / SIMPLi · 2025-07-30

Whole Foods Market features SIMPLi in its 2025 Impact Report as a growing Regenerative Organic Certified brand.

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SIMPLi Producer Profile | Whole Foods Market
Whole Foods Market (YouTube) · 2025-06-09

Whole Foods Market's producer profile video on SIMPLi, featuring the brand's direct trade model, single-origin grains, vertical integration approach, and sourcing with fairness from smallholder farmers.

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Guest Post: Meet SIMPLi
www.michelesgranola.com · 2025-04-15

SIMPLi is a leading regenerative organic pantry staples brand bringing the best ingredients in the world to you. With SIMPLi, you can discover new flavors, recreate beloved recipes, and trust that our grains, beans, oils, superfoods, and spices adhere to the standards found at local farmers' markets...

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SIMPLi: 'Consumers Today Are Becoming More Aware of How Processed Foods Impact Their Health'
Vegconomist · 2025-03-28

Interview with SIMPLi co-founder Sarela Herrada on the brand's rapid growth, becoming the #1 bean brand at Whole Foods with 14 SKUs, and its mission to lead regenerative organic sourcing.

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SIMPLi Asset Profile | Preqin
www.preqin.com · 2025-02-19

Founded in 2020 and based in Maryland, US, Freshly Organic LLC, doing business as SIMPLi, operates as a consumer-packaged goods (CPG) firm that offers regenerative organic certified® products.\n...\nSIMPLi sells a wide range of regenerative organic certified® plant-based products such as grains, oil...

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Celebrating Our Story with Whole Foods Market - SIMPLi
eatsimpli.com · 2024-12-24

This led to the introduction of our other Regenerative Organic Certified ingredients, such as beans & amaranth, to consumers nationwide.

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Arroz Mamposteao - SIMPLi
eatsimpli.com · 2024-12-02

SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified® Kidney Beans ##### SIMPLi Extra Virgin Olive Oil ... ##### SIMPLi Extra Virgin Olive Oil ...

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#followupoptimierung #kundenfokussieren #vertriebautomatisieren #simplibot... | Simpli.bot
LinkedIn · 2024-11-28

Mit unserer digitalen Vertriebsassistenz optimierst du nicht nur deine Follow-up-Prozesse, sondern stellst sicher, dass deine Leads immer im richtigen Moment und am richtigen Ort abgeholt werden. ... 128 Follower:innen

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Regenerative organic agriculture certification opens retail doors, drives sales for SIMPLi
FoodNavigator-USA · 2024-09-26

FoodNavigator profiles SIMPLi's rapid growth from 3 products in under 100 stores to 15 products in 3,000 stores, driven by its Regenerative Organic Certification and growing consumer demand.

[VIDEO]

Creating a Sustainable Future for Farming with Indigenous Wisdom
SIMPLi iNFORMED / YouTube · 2024-07-11

SIMPLi's iNFORMED series video exploring how the company integrates Indigenous farming wisdom into their regenerative organic sourcing and food supply chain model.

[PRESS RELEASE]

EY Announces SIMPLi Co-founder Sarela Herrada an Entrepreneur Of The Year 2024 Mid-Atlantic Award Winner
SIMPLi (company blog) · 2024-06-24

SIMPLi announces that co-founder Sarela Herrada has been named an EY Entrepreneur Of The Year 2024 Mid-Atlantic Award Winner, recognizing her leadership of the regenerative organic brand.

[VIDEO]

Driving Change Through the Regenerative Organic Certification
SIMPLi (YouTube) · 2024-04-22

SIMPLi's SIMPLi iNFORMED video series episode explaining the company's Regenerative Pathway Program and how it supports Indigenous farming communities in achieving the Regenerative Organic Certification.

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Gigante Coconut Curry with Amaranth - SIMPLi
eatsimpli.com · 2024-04-16

SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified® Gigante Beans ##### SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified® Amaranth ... From restoring soil health to trapping more carbon in the ground, SIMPLi ingredients are climate-friendly pantry staples with big impact, helping elevate your meals and improve the he...

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Gigante Pizza Beans Recipe - SIMPLi
eatsimpli.com · 2024-02-05

– SIMPLi ... ##### SIMPLi Extra Virgin Olive Oil ##### SIMPLi Peruvian Pink Salt ##### SIMPLi Regenerative Organic Certified® Gigante Beans, cooked ...

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SIMPLi Top 14 Products from Pantry Staples Brand - FindThisBest
www.findthisbest.com · 2023-09-17

At present, SIMPLi has 22 products for sale. ...

[VIDEO]

Prioritising People and Planet through Regenerative Organic Food with Sarela Herrada (SIMPLi)
The Great Full Podcast / YouTube · 2023-06-30

Sarela Herrada of SIMPLi appears on The Great Full Podcast to discuss the company's mission to source food from regenerative organic farms and empower Indigenous farming communities.

[PODCAST]

#14 - Sarela Herrada & Matt Cohen @ SIMPLi
ReGen Brands Podcast · 2022-10-28

SIMPLi's Sarela Herrada and Matt Cohen appear on the ReGen Brands Podcast to discuss the company's origins, regenerative organic sourcing model, and their approach to building brands with farmer relationships at the center.

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Chipotle's Cultivate Next Fund Invests in Six Emerging Companies Building a More Resilient Food System, Including Indianapolis-Based Athian
AgriNovus Indiana · 2026-07-10

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Athian to Market Localized Dairy Carbon Credits through New Registry with Climate Action Reserve
www.athian.ag · 2026-10-28

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www.athian.ai · 2026-10-03

WILMINGTON, N.C. [Sept. 21, 2026] — Athian, Inc., the technology platform that measures, verifies and monetizes greenhouse gas reductions for the livestock supply chain, today announced its plan to work with the Climate Action Reserve (CAR) to deliver localized, registry-certified dairy carbon c...

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INSTITUTE FOR AGRICUL
www.iatp.org · 2026-10-01

Dairy Farmers of America, “Dairy Farmers of America Purchases First Verified Carbon Credits in Livestock ... Athian, “The Athian Process, Explained,” May 31, 2024, https://www.athian.ai/knowledge-hub/post/the-athian-process ... Athian, “Tyson Ventures Invests in Athian’s Cloud-Based Carbon Credit M...

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Livestock Carbon Credit Marketplace Secures Seed Investment
carboncredits.com · 2026-09-29

Athian, a pioneering livestock carbon credit marketplace, successfully completed its seed funding round with key investors including California Dairies, Inc. (CDI) and DSM Venturing. ... Methane, nitrous oxide (N2O) and carbon dioxide comprise livestock’s total emissions. ... Livestock supply chains...

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dairy carbon credits
www.thebullvine.com · 2026-09-27

In January 2024, Texas dairyman Jasper DeVos generated nearly 1,150 metric tons of verified carbon credits, the first sale of its kind in the U.S. livestock market, purchased by Dairy Farmers of America through a marketplace called Athian . ... In September 2025, Athian announced its first verified ...

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The State of Carbon Insetting - ses-corp.com
ses-corp.com · 2026-09-26

Insetting is a term used to describe greenhouse gas emission (GHG) reductions that result from projects and interventions within the supply chain of an organization. ... Launch Market Type Ag Credit Types or Program Description ... livestock methane, agricultural soil carbon ... 2023 Athian Voluntar...

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Athian Teams Up On A Combined $80 Million In Grant Funding For ...
www.athian.ai · 2026-09-21

Athian's cloud-based marketplace benchmarks, verifies, and monetizes on-farm GHG reductions – providing access to credible Scope 3 assets and market-backed incentives to provide ongoing reductions. ... Enteric methane reduction carbon credits are now available for purchase through Athian’s insetting...

[ARTICLE]

Whole Foods Market, California Dairies, and Athian alternative ...
sustainabilityexchange.amazon.com · 2026-09-20

Insetting projects can produce Environmental Attribute Certificates (EACs), which represent the environmental benefits of projects such as methane reduction at a dairy farm. ... One unique example is a collaboration between Whole Foods Market, California Dairies, and project developer Athian, to inc...

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Athian and BiomEdit announce collaboration
www.feedstrategy.com · 2026-09-13

Athian, the world’s first cloud-based carbon marketplace for the livestock industry, and BiomEdit, an emerging animal health biotechnology company, announced a collaboration to validate groundbreaking protocols from sustainability outcomes in livestock production based on product innovation in devel...

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Athian Livestock Carbon Program Guide - Ambrook
ambrook.com · 2026-09-04

Athian runs the first voluntary carbon insetting marketplace for the livestock value chain, paying dairy and beef producers for verified greenhouse gas reductions on their operations — most prominently enteric methane cut through validated feed-management interventions. Producers select a science-ba...

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List of Agricultural Funding for Livestock
ambrook.com · 2026-09-03

- Athian Livestock Carbon Program Athian - Carbon Credits - Carbon Capture - Climate-Smart - National - Livestock - Milk - Beef

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Athian's Post
LinkedIn · 2026-08-31

Relevant LinkedIn post.

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Athian and BiomEdit Announce First-of-its-Kind Collaboration
www.athian.ai · 2026-08-24

Targeted, ground-breaking solutions intend to reward livestock producers for certified reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and previously undeveloped areas in animal health **INDIANAPOLIS & FISHERS, IND.** [October 18, 2023] — Athian (athian.ai), the world’s first cloud-based carbon marketplace f...

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Athian on LinkedIn: The next step in our journey of ensuring the impactful sustainability work...
LinkedIn · 2026-08-18

We are uniquely positioned as a livestock industry convener to offer expertise in the value chain synergies through our tech enabled livestock carbon marketplace.”

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Chipotle Invests in Cultivate Next | Athian posted on the topic
LinkedIn · 2026-08-15

Athian has joined the Cultivate Next / Chipotle portfolio! Chipotle Mexican Grill's venture fund makes strategic investments to support companies that are building a more resilient food system.

[LINKEDIN_POST]

bridgingthegap #responsiblesourcing #supplychainresilience ...
LinkedIn · 2026-08-07

Athian is making measurable progress. While speaking at the UC Davis CLEAR Center’s State of the Science Summit, our CEO and Founder Paul Myer shared recent milestones. Athian now reaches more than 10% of the U.S. dairy industry. Our protocols have contributed to more than 600,000 metric tons of g...

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Beyond Meat leans into Europe, Canada, as US sales ...
www.industryevents.com · 2026-08-06

Livestock methane reduction: Brazilian beef pilot generates first inset credits via Athian - AgFunder News

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Ivan B. Linde posted this
www.linkedin.com · 2026-08-04

Pioneering Carbon Solutions in the Brazilian Beef Industry Athian, a US-based platform focused on voluntary livestock carbon insetting, has successfully sold its first inset credits from a groundbreaking beef pilot project in Brazil. This milestone represents a significant step forward in promoting ...

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Brazilian beef pilot generates first inset credits via Athian
www.industryevents.com · 2026-08-01

Relevant mention.

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Food-tech’s methane moment is overshadowing its measurement problem—and capital is flowing to the wrong link in the chain.
www.fobi.com · 2026-07-30

Food-tech’s methane moment is here. Over the past two weeks, Athian’s first inset credits for Brazilian beef ^[S1]^, Rize’s $31M raise for rice-farming methane reduction [S20], and Cargill Ventures’ renewed dealmaking focus ^[S2]^ have all signaled a sector-wide pivot toward emissions as the next in...

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Livestock methane reduction: Brazilian beef pilot generates first inset credits via Athian
AgFunderNews · 2026-07-29

Athian verified, registered and sold the first inset credits from a Brazilian beef methane-reduction pilot with Rumin8 and Minerva Foods, where treated cattle produced 50.4% less methane.

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Elaine Watson's Post - Livestock methane reduction
www.linkedin.com · 2026-07-29

Livestock methane reduction: Brazilian beef pilot generates first inset credits via Athian | Elaine Watson ... Athian has sold the first inset credits generated by a Brazilian beef project following a pilot with Australia-based methane-reduction specialist Rumin8 and Minerva Foods, the leading expor...

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Athian selected for Chipotle Cultivate Next investment (AgriNovus Indiana post)
LinkedIn · 2026-07-10

AgriNovus Indiana shares that Indianapolis-based Athian is one of six companies receiving Cultivate Next investment, positioning it as progress toward a more resilient food system and highlighting Indiana’s agbioscience ecosystem.

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Athian's Post
LinkedIn · 2026-06-16

Relevant LinkedIn post.

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#dairysust26 | Athian - LinkedIn
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Gateway to opportunity | Athian - LinkedIn
LinkedIn · 2026-04-23

Athian Athian continues to work with National Milk Producers Federation and California Dairies, Inc., on a pathway for farms to generate revenue using their FARM ES scores. Thank you to Hoard's Dairyman for including our work as part of the vision for how farmers can get paid for their environmental...

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#sustainability | Athian - LinkedIn
LinkedIn · 2026-04-20

Athian 10mo - Report this post When navigating the world of livestock sustainability, Athian SAB member Dr. Richard Eckard, University of Melbourne, is adamant that it can’t be viewed through a singular lens.

[LINKEDIN_POST]

Athian brings ag-tech to Wilmington | WilmingtonBiz - LinkedIn
LinkedIn · 2026-04-15

Athian shared a WilmingtonBiz feature on its technology, producer opportunities, and lower-emissions food supply chains.

[LINKEDIN_POST]

Michigan State University's Dr. wei liao leads research on ... - LinkedIn
LinkedIn · 2026-03-27

Athian highlighted research led by its scientific advisory board member Dr. Wei Liao on sustainable dairy processing.

[BLOG]

After a Year Of Impact, More Opportunity Ahead
Athian Blog · 2026-01-20

Athian reviews 2025 achievements including $18M farmer payments and Series A funding, and previews 2026 expansion into beef cattle operations.

[LINKEDIN_POST]

Athian Expands Scope 3 Capabilities with $4M Series A Funding
LinkedIn · 2025-12-23

The post reports Athian's Series A financing and payments to farmers.

[NEWS]

Athian Clinches $4M Series A Round as Farmer Emissions Milestone Marks Momentum
Global AgInvesting · 2025-11-26

Trade coverage of Athian's $4M Series A and $18M farmer payment milestone, with Chipotle's Cultivate Next among new investors.

[PRESS RELEASE]

Athian Announces $18M in Farmer Payments for Emissions Reductions, Closes $4M Series A Round
Alloy Partners (Athian press release) · 2025-11-19

Athian's Series A announcement confirms Chipotle's Cultivate Next Fund as a new investor, with Curt Garner noting the investment supports Chipotle's 2030 goal of a 50% reduction in Scope 1, 2, and 3 greenhouse gas emissions.

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Athian Announces $18M in Farmer Payments for Emissions Reductions; Closes $4M Series A Round
Athian · 2025-11-19

Official Athian press release detailing $18M in farmer payments and $4M Series A with Chipotle Cultivate Next as a new investor.

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Athian Secures $4M Series A, Expands Food Supply Chain Partnership
Athian on LinkedIn · 2025-11-19

Athian's LinkedIn post announces the close of its $4M Series A, naming Chipotle Mexican Grill Cultivate Next Fund as a new investor alongside Ajinomoto Group Ventures and Mondelēz's Sustainable Futures.

[NEWS]

Athian Announces $18M in Farmer Payments for Emissions Reductions; Closes $4M Series A Round
AgriNovus Indiana · 2025-11-19

AgriNovus Indiana covers Athian's milestone of $18M paid to farmers for verified emissions reductions since 2024 and the close of its $4M Series A round, with Chipotle's Cultivate Next as a new participant.

[NEWS]

Athian Announces $18M in Farmer Payments for Emissions Reductions; Closes $4M Series A Round
Newtrient · 2025-11-19

Newtrient covers Athian's $18M in farmer payments and $4M Series A close, highlighting the carbon insetting platform's momentum in helping the livestock value chain achieve Scope 3 emission reduction goals.

[BLOG]

Athian Introduces New Protocol for Reducing GHG Emissions from Cattle
Athian Blog · 2025-04-08

Athian launches AjiPro-L feed protocol enabling dairy farmers to reduce GHG emissions and monetize reductions via its platform.

[BLOG]

Athian Capitalizing on Momentum, Setting New Milestones for 2025
Athian Blog · 2025-02-05

Athian announces $9M+ in payments to livestock producers from Scope 3 inset sales and plans to expand protocols in 2025.

[PODCAST]

Agri-Pulse Open Mic: Paul Myer, CEO, Athian
Agri-Pulse Open Mic / Apple Podcasts · 2024-12-29

Agri-Pulse Open Mic episode with Athian CEO Paul Myer discussing the company's industry-led carbon credit platform for the livestock value chain and how it enables producers to monetize sustainability practices.

[NEWS]

Athian closes seed round with investment from DSM and California Dairies
FoodBev Media · 2024-06-09

FoodBev Media reports on Athian completing its seed funding round with investments from DSM and California Dairies for its cloud-based carbon insetting marketplace for the livestock industry.

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Registry
www.athian.ai · 2024-01-15

Athian's offset registry will list verified and active GHG emissions-reduction projects implemented at the farm level. Each credit represents one metric ton of carbon dioxide avoided. ... |SAMPLE: Intermountain West Feed Efficiency InitiativeATH-2024-001|Laramie, WY, USA|Mesa Verde Livestock Solutio...

[NEWS]

Dairy Farmers of America buys first inset carbon credits
Agri-Pulse · 2024-01-03

Agri-Pulse reports Dairy Farmers of America's landmark first purchase of verified carbon inset credits from a Texas dairy farmer via the Athian marketplace, representing the first-ever livestock value chain carbon insetting transaction.

[ARTICLE]

First livestock carbon credit inset market launched
Feedstuffs · 2023-11-06

Feedstuffs covers Athian and Elanco's livestock carbon-insetting marketplace, including a protocol to monetize verified dairy methane reductions.

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Livestock Sustainability
www.elanco.com · 2023-11-02

Elanco is actively creating sustainability solutions for farmers and ranchers that can reduce, measure, and monetize greenhouse gas emissions, including methane, which can help create climate-neutral farms this decade. ... Our initial focus is on methane as the opportunity. ... Through enteric ferme...

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\"Mobilize finance in methane mitigation\" Paul Myer | Athian
LinkedIn · 2023-09-26

Athian's LinkedIn post features Paul Myer discussing how to mobilize financing for methane mitigation.

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California Dairies invests in livestock carbon marketplace
www.dairyfoods.com · 2023-05-03

Athian provides livestock producers with economic incentives for on-farm sustainability practices, while helping improve global food system sustainability and reducing climate warming. ...

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Dairy Farmers of America Purchases First Verified Carbon Credits in Livestock Inset Marketplace
Dairy Farmers of America (Press Release) · 2023-01

Dairy Farmers of America announced it purchased the first verified carbon credits in Athian's livestock carbon insetting marketplace.

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Our Platform - Athian
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Chipotle's Cultivate Next Fund Invests in Aquatic Plant-Based Technologies
PR Newswire · 2025-01-15

Chipotle's Cultivate Next fund announces investment in CH4 Global to scale Asparagopsis seaweed-based Methane Tamer for reducing cattle emissions by up to 90%.

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CH4 Global aims for gigaton-scale emissions reductions by 2030
www.dcvc.com · 2026-10-16

DCVC- and DCVC Bio-backed CH4 Global offers an innovative approach using a seaweed-based dietary supplement that inhibits methane production up to 90% when consumed by cows and other ruminants and is now affordable by farmers without the need for any subsidies. Now, with patented techniques to grow ...

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UPL, CH4 Global partners for distribution of methane-reducing feed supplement for cattle in India
AgroSpectrum India · 2026-10-14

UPL and CH4 Global are developing distribution plans for Methane Tamer in India and several South American livestock markets.

[ARTICLE]

CH4 Global — Investors & Founders | Fundraising Fox
fundraisingfox.com · 2026-10-13

CH4 Global develops greenhouse gas mitigation solutions centered on Asparagopsis seaweed, producing feed supplements that reduce enteric methane emissions from cattle for the livestock and agriculture industries. ...

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CH4 Global and CirPro Australia announce successful processing of first cattle to be fed Methane Tamer at commercial scale
www.prnewswire.com · 2026-09-30

The 70 head of cattle were fed Methane Tamer for 100 days at a feedlot in South Australia. By incorporating the seaweed-based additive into the cattle's diet, an estimated 105 metric tons of CO2-equivalent emissions were avoided. ... Enteric methane emissions from livestock are a significant contrib...

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Fabian Gosselin P. on LinkedIn: CH4 Global Raises US $29m in Series B Funding, Bringing Total Investment...
LinkedIn · 2026-09-20

In a critical time when the cattle sector is seeking sustainable transformations, CH4Global stands as a pioneer of innovation, ready to lead the development of Asparagopsis-based feed solutions to mitigate methane emissions, leading a change that promises not only environmental sustainability but al...

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UPL and CH4 Global sign strategic partnership agreement ...
www.uplcorp.com · 2026-09-20

Exclusive partnership combines UPL's market reach with CH4 Global's seaweed-based feed additive, Methane Tamer, targeting key cattle markets in India, Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay, and Paraguay Mumbai, 25 November 2024: - UPL, a global provider of sustainable agricultural solutions, and CH4 Global tod...

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UPL and CH4 Global Sign Strategic Partnership Agreement That ...
ch4global.com · 2026-08-25

Exclusive partnership combines UPL's market reach with CH4 Global's seaweed-based feed additive, Methane Tamer™, targeting key cattle markets in India, Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay, and Paraguay **Mumbai, India and Henderson, Nevada, USA – November 25, 2024: ** UPL, a global provider of sustainable ...

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Whole Asparagopsis Seaweed vs Synthetic Bromoform ...
www.linkedin.com · 2026-08-06

When it comes to commercialised methane inhibitors, by far the most effective is whole asparagopsis seaweed. ... Research conducted by CH4 Global has shown that only about 50 percent of the benefits of using whole asparagopsis seaweed as a methane inhibitor can be directly attributable to the bromof...

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Ch4 Global | APIs.io Providers
apis.io · 2026-08-06

CH4 Global is a climate-technology company working to reduce methane emissions from livestock at gigatonne scale. Its flagship product, Methane Tamer, is a feed supplement made from Asparagopsis red seaweed that has been shown to cut enteric methane emissions in cattle by up to 90 percent. In Januar...

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New Zealand Asparagopsis Seaweed for Cattle Research
LinkedIn · 2026-08-05

A new company, Asparagopsis Technologies Limited (ASTEC), has been established in #NewZealand to continue #Asparagopsis #landbased #farming and retain the specialized infrastructure and cultivation expertise in this #redseaweed species developed at the Ocean Beach NZ #Aquaculture #Park in Bluff, Sou...

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New company to continue Asparagopsis land-based ...
weareaquaculture.com · 2026-08-04

Asparagopsis Technologies takes over from CH4 Global to retain the specialized infrastructure and cultivation expertise developed at the Ocean Beach Aquaculture Park in Bluff. ... If we believe that every action has a reaction, that is what has happened in Bluff, a coastal town in the Southland regi...

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New Company ASTEC to Supply Asparagopsis Seaweed ...
www.ruralnewsgroup.co.nz · 2026-08-03

Asparagopsis Technologies Limited (ASTEC) is supplying research-grade asparagopsis armata for animal methane mitigation studies, ensuring continued access to one of the world's largest land-based cultivation facilities dedicated to this emerging field of research. Following CH4 Global's decision to ...

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Aotearoa New Zealand Seaweed Association (ANZSA)
www.linkedin.com · 2026-07-30

When CH4 Global announced it was closing its Bluff operation earlier this year, it looked like Southland was about to lose one of its most exciting innovation stories. Instead, local leaders Blair Wolfgram and team recognised the opportunity, retained the expertise and infrastructure, and establishe...

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CH4 Global begins production at first commercial-scale Asparagopsis growing facility
LinkedIn · 2026-07-06

The post reports that CH4 Global began production at its commercial-scale EcoPark facility.

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CH4 Global Named “AgTech Sustainability Solution of the Year” in 2024 AgTech Breakthrough Awards
ch4global.com · 2026-07-01

Henderson, Nevada, USA – August 21, 2024: CH4 Global, a climate tech company on a mission to slash livestock methane emissions at gigaton scale by using a seaweed-based cattle feed supplement, was today announced as the recipient of “AgTech Sustainability Solution of the Year” in the fifth annual Ag...

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CH4Global's Post
LinkedIn · 2026-05-18

Relevant LinkedIn post.

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CH4 Global's 2025 progress in tackling cattle methane emissions
Innovation News Network · 2025-10-27

eBook summarizing CH4 Global's 2025 milestones including EcoPark, partnerships, and Methane Tamer farmer trials.

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CH4 Global leads methane reduction with Methane Tamer ...
LinkedIn · 2025-10-20

Relevant LinkedIn post.

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CH4 Global Throws Its Weight Behind Adelaide to Host ...
ch4global.com · 2025-10-15

Adelaide, Australia - October 15, 2025 - As Australia's largest commercial producer of the methane-busting seaweed Asparagopsis, CH4 Global is throwing its weight behind COP31 being held in South Australia ahead of COP30 in Brazil this November. ... Asparagopsis is also playing an important role...

[BLOG]

Ruminant Math: How Seaweed is Helping Cut Methane at Scale
CH4 Global (company blog) · 2025-09-25

CH4 Global blog post explaining the ruminant methane reduction math, detailing how Methane Tamer disrupts the enzyme responsible for methane production in cattle digestive systems, achieving 70-90% reductions.

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CH4 Global Named Top Agriculture Sustainability Company
ch4global.com · 2025-09-15

**Henderson, Nevada, USA – September 15, 2025 – ** US-based agriculture publication Agri Business Review Magazine has named CH4 Global as the Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Solutions Company of the Year 2025, recognizing its efforts to reduce methane emissions in the agriculture sector. ... It has been a...

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CH4 Global selected as international AgTech Startup of the Year
asiafoodjournal.com · 2025-08-25

ADELAIDE, Australia: CH4 Global has been awarded "AgTech Startup of the Year" in the fifth annual AgTech Breakthrough Awards program conducted by AgTech Breakthrough, a leading international market intelligence organisation that recognises the top companies, technologies, and products in the global ...

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'Better Beef' on Adelaide Shelves in World First
ch4global.com · 2025-08-11

From growing ponds on the Eyre Peninsula to the company's Methane Tamer product feeding cattle at farms across the state, and then onto shelves, menus and plates – the end-to-end process occurs entirely within South Australia. Its EcoPark at Louth Bay currently features 10 large-scale Asparagopsis c...

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'Better Beef' on Adelaide shelves in world first
asiafoodjournal.com · 2025-08-08

A milestone is being celebrated in the emissions reductions race, with an Adelaide butcher becoming the first retailer in the world to stock low methane, 'guilt free' beef through a partnership with CH4 Global. ...

[VIDEO]

Harnessing Seaweed to Mitigate Livestock's Climate Impact
50 SDG Leaders Campaign (YouTube) · 2025-05-21

CH4 Global video produced as part of the 50 SDG Leaders Campaign, explaining how Asparagopsis seaweed-based Methane Tamer reduces cattle methane emissions by up to 90% and integrates seamlessly into existing feeding systems.

[BLOG]

The Incredible Potential of Methane Tamer to Cut Global Emissions
CH4 Global Blog · 2025-04-04

CH4 Global explains the climate impact potential of its Methane Tamer seaweed feed additive, equivalent to removing 50 million cars from roads.

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Excited for this next chapter in our journey with Cultivate Next / Chipotle! Now more than ever, we need to act fast in revolutionizing our food system to become climate-positive.

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Jessica Alfonso-Rodriguez is a registered dietitian and family and consumer sciences agent for the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (UF/IFAS).

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Florida Trend · 2026-07-11

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treecarezone.com · 2026-04-16

Backed by the latest University of Florida IFAS research (including exciting new cold-hardy lines tested through the January 2026 freeze), these expert tips will help you avoid common pitfalls and enjoy bigger, healthier yields. ... Florida's USDA hardiness zones 8b–11 make it one of the best places...

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Cold-hardy avocados aimed at transforming Florida's future fruit industry
Florida Trend · 2026-03-13

UF/IFAS breeding program advances cold-tolerant avocados for North Florida production.

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UF/IFAS progress on disease-resistant, high-oil cold-hardy avocados tested in the 2026 freeze.

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Avocados From Florida | N.C. Cooperative Extension
brunswick.ces.ncsu.edu · 2025-05-28

A quick check on the internet shared that these larger and rounder avocados are called Florida Avocados. So, we reached out to our colleagues at University of Florida/IFAS Extension in Miami-Dade County.

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University extension says timing is right to plant Florida avocado trees
The Packer · 2025-04-22

UF/IFAS promotes expanding Florida avocado planting to diversify domestic supply.

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Central Florida Ag News · 2025-01-15

UF/IFAS awarded $5M grant to combat Laurel wilt and develop cold-tolerant avocado varieties.

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gardeningsolutions.ifas.ufl.edu ·

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www.prweb.com · 2026-10-15

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 15, 2026 /PRNewswire-PRWeb/ -- Zero Acre Farms today announced that Erewhon Market, the Certified B Corporation and Certified Organic Retailer, is switching to Organic Fera fruit oil® for frying at its cafes.

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The Fruit Oil Replacing Seed Oils in Restaurant Fryers Across America
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Zero Acre Farms' Fera fruit oil lasts twice as long in commercial fryers, uses 95% less land than soybean oil, and is already in Ritz-Carlton and Four Seasons kitchens. ... **Fera fruit oil**, launched by Zero Acre Farms in April 2026, is a **seed oil free cooking oil** pressed from a single ingredi...

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Zero Acre Farms on LinkedIn: The Ultimate Seed Oil-Free Shopping List: 65+ Must-Haves
LinkedIn · 2026-09-19

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Fera Fruit Oil: What to Know About This South American ...
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Why Yalla | Yalla Shawarma
yallashawarma.com · 2026-08-09

We fry in Fera fruit oil — a clean, heat-stable oil you rarely see anywhere else.

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www.nrn.com · 2026-08-07

He later joined forces with Jeff Nobbs, now CEO of Zero Acre Farms, who at the time had a meal-delivery company for customers on restrictive diets, to found Kitava. Nobbs remains a strategic partner and Tublin serves as CEO.

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dishsociety.com · 2026-08-05

We cook with pure butter, olive oil, and Fera Fruit oil - because great food should taste good AND feel good.

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Revolutionizing Frying: Introducing Organic Fera Fruit Oil
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With the launch of **Organic Fera fruit oil** by **Zero Acre Farms**, restaurants now have a groundbreaking, seed oil-free option that promises to elevate frying standards across the U.S. foodservice landscape. This innovative oil not only enhances flavor and crispness but also sets a new benchmark ...

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Zero Acre Farms Launches Organic Fera Fruit Oil, the First Organic Seed Oil-Free Frying Oil for Restaurant-Scale Performance
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Zero Acre Farms partners with Proper Hotels as first national hotel group to go seed oil-free
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Zero Acre Farms Website · 2025-04-28

Company highlights Chipotle's Cultivate Next investment as validation of its cultured cooking oil mission.

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'One oil to rule them all': San Mateo's Zero Acre Farms ...
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CEO and co-founder Jeff Nobbs says Zero Acre oil is healthier and less environmentally harmful than seed oils ... Zero Acre Farms, headquartered in San Mateo, is on a mission to “give the world an oil change.” The company aims to help restaurants and home cooks replace conventional cooking oils with...

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What MAHA’s crusade against seed oils reveals about flaws in America’s food system
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Balancing Chaos Podcast / YouTube · 2023-06-25

YouTube video of Jeff Nobbs appearing on Balancing Chaos podcast to discuss the health and environmental harms of industrial seed oils and Zero Acre Farms' fermentation-derived alternative.

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Be Well by Kelly Leveque / Apple Podcasts · 2023-06-07

Be Well by Kelly podcast episode where Jeff Nobbs of Zero Acre Farms explains the health problems with seed oils and how their fermented cultured oil offers a better alternative.

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prospeo.io · 2023-04-23

Key Contacts at Zero Acre Farms Jeff Nobbs Co-Founder & Ceo ... |Headquarters|San Francisco, California, United States| |--|--| |Website|zeroacre.com| ... Zero Acre Farms is a food company focused on high-performance cooking oils with a mission to end the food industry's dependence on harmful seed o...

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Chipotle Announces 2023 ESG Goals Tied To Executive Compensation — Cultivate Next Investments Highlighted
ESG News · 2023-03-24

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Chipotle Expands 2023 ESG Goals Tied to Executive Compensation
Sustainable Brands · 2023-03-24

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Chipotle Makes Two Investments, Sets New ESG Goals
QSR Magazine · 2023-03-22

QSR Magazine reports that Chipotle is leveraging Cultivate Next to invest in Local Line (local food sourcing platform) and Zero Acre Farms (cultured oil), tying these investments to Chipotle's 2023 ESG goals.

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Chipotle Mexican Grill announces investments in local sourcing platform Local Line, cultured oil company Zero Acre Farms
Nation's Restaurant News · 2023-03-22

NRN covers Cultivate Next's investments in Local Line and Zero Acre Farms as part of Chipotle's 2023 ESG update, noting these are the fund's third and fourth portfolio companies after Hyphen and Meati.

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CHIPOTLE ANNOUNCES 2023 ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE GOALS TIED TO EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION
Chipotle Mexican Grill Newsroom · 2023-03-22

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LinkedIn (Zero Acre Farms / Jeff Nobbs CEO) · 2023-03-22

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Transcript Ben Greenfield Talks to Jeff Nobbs of Zero Acre Farms
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RHR: Solving the Problem of Vegetable Oils, with Jeff Nobbs
chriskresser.com · 2022-08-23

Jeff Nobbs, co-founder and CEO of Zero Acre Farms, joins Chris on Revolution Health Radio to discuss how vegetable oils drive chronic disease, how years of misinformation led to the prevalence of their consumption worldwide, why they’re such a problem for our health and the environment, what’s impor...

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To learn more about the impact of vegetable oil, we recently spoke with Jeff Nobbs, Founder and CEO of Zero Acre Farms, a company making Cultured Oil that it claims is far better than traditional cooking oils, for both the environment and your health. ... “We created Zero Acre Farms because we belie...

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Is the Future of Fat Fermented? Jeff Nobbs of Zero Acre Farms
Business for Good Podcast · 2022-08-01

Business for Good Podcast episode 94 featuring Jeff Nobbs of Zero Acre Farms discussing whether fermentation is the future of producing healthy fats and the environmental advantages over seed oils.

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Hyphen increases profitability and productivity for the foodservice industry by automating meal production with its Makeline and augmenting kitchen staff using its CulinaryOS. ... Double duty Hyphen is versatile, assembling meals below with robotics while allowing more orders to be prepared manually...

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LinkedIn · 2026-09-10

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LinkedIn · 2026-08-19

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Key takeaways from Daniel Fukuba at Hyphen: Solve for Humans: Building the robot is the easy part. The real challenge is driving adoption in an industry deeply resistant to change. \"We're asking people to change how they've built their livelihoods.\" Prioritize Modularity: Breakpoints are cru...

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Restaurant Tech Funding Drops to $1.3B in 2024, But AI & ...
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Fresh KDS & ClearCOGS Partner for Efficient Kitchen Execution
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Fresh KDS and ClearCOGS have partnered to connect prep forecasting with live kitchen execution. ClearCOGS sets the day's prep, ordering, and labor plan. Fresh KDS runs the orders as they fire. Together they close the gap between what a kitchen plans and what it actually cooks. The result for operato...

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Hyphen's new SVP of Go-to-Market describes the company's restaurant automation work.

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AgFunderNews · 2026-07-09

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Hyphen and Motoniq Partner to Bring Physical AI to Intelligent Food Automation
Business Wire (via Yahoo Finance) · 2026-06-23

Hyphen and Motoniq announced a strategic partnership to apply physical AI to Hyphen's automated makeline, aiming to speed iteration and deployment of ingredient-dispensing configurations across customer environments.

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AI transforms restaurant operations and customer service
LinkedIn · 2026-06-12

Hyphen, a leader in intelligent food automation for commercial food service, and Motoniq, a physical AI company building the intelligence layer for the physical economy, announced a strategic partnership to bring physical AI to intelligent food automation.

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Chipotle Mexican Grill - AI Trace
www.aitrace.org · 2026-04-21

Chipotle Mexican Grill: Chipotle tested an automated food assembly system called the 'Augmented Makeline,' developed with Hyphen, in a Corona del Mar, California restaurant starting September 2024.\nThe system automatically dispenses ingredients to build bowls and salads for digital orders, while hu...

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Sweetgreen Launches Fully Automated Infinite Kitchen in NYC
LinkedIn · 2026-03-17

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Advanced robotics may ease restaurant labor shortages | Dell
www.dell.com · 2026-01-18

Stephen Klein, co-founder and CEO of Hyphen, piloted a version of his automated kitchen in a food truck parked off the Venice Beach boardwalk in Los Angeles in early 2019. Orchestrated by more than 100 different sensors, a trio of robots inside the food truck concocted an assortment of fresh and org...

[NEWS]

Tech startup Hyphen is bringing AI to the lunch line — with help from Cava and Chipotle
CNBC · 2025-12-30

Robotics startup Hyphen attracts investments from Chipotle's Cultivate Next (totaling $25M) and CAVA to deploy automated makelines that boost speed and reduce waste.

[LINKEDIN_POST]

Frustrated with tech suppliers, foodservice industry needs overhaul
LinkedIn · 2025-11-17

At a challenging time for the restaurant industry, major chains like Chipotle and Cava are putting money behind automated makelines from startup Hyphen.

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Hyphen - Portfolio Company
AgFunder · 2025-09-24

AgFunder profile of Hyphen as a California-based robotic kitchen company with major QSR customers.

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Hyphen raises $25M Series B from Tiger Global, boosts kitchen ...
LinkedIn · 2025-09-03

Hyphen — just raised $25M Series B (Aug 13, 2025) backed by Tiger Global Management Hyphen is the AI-powered kitchen platform trusted by foodservice leaders to: Automate meal production with its Makeline Augment kitchen staff using CulinaryOS Boost profitability & productivity seamlessly Restauran...

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Rivals backing the same robot? Chipotle and CAVA co-sign $25M bet on Hyphen
LinkedIn / Grishin Robotics · 2025-08-18

Grishin Robotics post highlights the rare cross-competitive move of Chipotle (Cultivate Next) and CAVA jointly backing Hyphen's automated makeline Series B.

[NEWS]

Hyphen Raises $25 Million to Scale Automated Meal Production Platform
AI Insider · 2025-08-15

Coverage of Hyphen's $25M Series B financing, noting CAVA Group's participation of up to $10 million alongside existing investor Chipotle to scale the Automated Makeline platform across US restaurants.

[PRESS RELEASE]

Hyphen Raises $25M to Scale Automated Makelines
PR Newswire · 2025-08-13

Hyphen closes $25M Series B financing including from CAVA to ramp production of its AI-robotics Automated Makeline for U.S. restaurants.

[NEWS]

Hyphen secures $25M in series B funding to scale automated makelines
Vending Times · 2025-08-13

Vending Times reports on Hyphen's $25M Series B, with the funding earmarked to increase production and US deployment of its AI-driven Automated Makeline for restaurant operators.

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CAVA invests in foodservice tech firm Hyphen, joins Chipotle
LinkedIn · 2025-08-12

CAVA today joined its fast-casual competitor Chipotle Mexican Grill in investing in Hyphen, a foodservice technology company that automates the production of digital orders combining robotics and artificial intelligence.

[PRESS RELEASE]

Hyphen Raises $25M to Scale Automated Makelines
Yahoo Finance · 2025-08-12

Hyphen closes a $25 million Series B round including participation from CAVA Group to accelerate production and US deployment of its Automated Makeline, combining robotics and AI for restaurant efficiency.

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Thanks Restaurant Robotics Technology! | J Goel
LinkedIn · 2025-07-26

SVP @ Hyphen AI Robotics | Startup Builder & Advisor | Uber, Postmates, Chownow, Boston Consulting Group | Duke MBA, UC Davis Comp Sci Thanks Restaurant Robotics Technology! Happy to chat with any operator interested in automating your food production.

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#robotics #innovation #foodtech #futureofdining | Daniel Fukuba
LinkedIn · 2025-03-18

Excited to share another glimpse of the work we're doing at Hyphen! Our team is pushing the boundaries of what's possible in the restaurant industry, blending robotics with culinary art to create a seamless and innovative dining experience.

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Hyphen (formerly Ono Food) | PAR
partech.com · 2025-01-01

Hyphen is a brand that brings advanced technology to familiar kitchen tools, revolutionizing the way busy kitchens operate. ...

[NEWS]

O.C. Chipotle spots debut 'Autocado' and a robotic burrito bowl maker
Los Angeles Times · 2024-09-19

The LA Times visits the Huntington Beach and Corona del Mar Chipotle locations to report on the Autocado and Augmented Makeline pilot, noting the robots are part of a Cultivate Next-funded pilot program being evaluated for broader rollout.

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CHIPOTLE DEBUTS AUTOCADO AND THE AUGMENTED MAKELINE BY HYPHEN IN RESTAURANTS
Chipotle Mexican Grill Investor Relations · 2024-09-16

Chipotle announces the first in-restaurant debut of two cobots developed by Cultivate Next portfolio companies: Autocado (with Vebu, at Huntington Beach, CA) and the Augmented Makeline (with Hyphen, at Corona del Mar, CA).

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CHIPOTLE DEBUTS AUTOCADO AND THE AUGMENTED MAKELINE BY HYPHEN IN RESTAURANTS
PR Newswire · 2024-09-16

Wire distribution of Chipotle's announcement that cobots from Cultivate Next investments Vebu (Autocado) and Hyphen (Augmented Makeline) are being tested in live restaurants for the first time, representing the first real-world deployment of Cultivate Next portfolio technology.

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Chipotle has moved its automation tests into restaurants
Nation's Restaurant News · 2024-09-16

NRN covers the live restaurant debuts of Cultivate Next's Autocado and Augmented Makeline cobots, noting both are part of Chipotle's Cultivate Next venture fund and represent the fund's first stage-gate graduation to actual restaurant deployment.

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Chipotle starts in-store testing for avocado, makeline robots
Restaurant Dive · 2024-09-16

Restaurant Dive covers the in-restaurant pilot of Chipotle's Autocado and Augmented Makeline, noting the chain has invested $100 million into Cultivate Next since 2022 and the scale of investment indicates significant upside in labor-saving devices.

[NEWS]

Chipotle adds automation, 'autocado' robot helps make guacamole
Reuters · 2024-09-16

Reuters covers Chipotle's in-restaurant debut of the Autocado and Augmented Makeline, contextualizing it within California's $20/hour fast-food minimum wage and quoting analyst Peter Saleh saying the technology could revolutionize the industry and place Chipotle ahead of competitors in automation.

[NEWS]

Chipotle Is Testing Out an Avocado-Peeling Robot Called 'Autocado'
Observer · 2024-09-16

Observer covers the Autocado and Augmented Makeline restaurant debut, noting Chipotle co-developed both with Vebu and Hyphen respectively via its $100 million Cultivate Next venture fund.

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Chipotle Tests 'Cobots' in Several Restaurants
Foodservice Equipment Reports (FER) Magazine · 2024-09-16

FER Magazine covers Chipotle's first in-restaurant deployment of both Autocado and Augmented Makeline cobots developed through its $100 million Cultivate Next venture fund investments in Vebu and Hyphen.

[VIDEO]

Revolutionizing Restaurant Automation – Daniel Fukuba | Masters of Engineering Podcast
Onshape / Masters of Engineering Podcast (YouTube) · 2024-01-25

Podcast video featuring Hyphen co-founder and CTO Daniel Fukuba discussing the company's vision for kitchen automation, its partnership with Chipotle, and why automation is about redefining—not eliminating—restaurant roles.

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Chipotle's Robots Can Make Almost 200 Burrito Bowls an Hour
www.entrepreneur.com · 2023-10-03

Key Takeaways ... - Chipotle is working with Hyphen, a startup that uses robotics to make up to 180 bowls per hour.

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Chipotle is testing an automated digital makeline for bowls and salads — NRN
Nation's Restaurant News · 2023-10-03

NRN covers Chipotle's test of the Hyphen automated digital makeline at its Cultivate Center in Irvine, noting that 65% of digital orders are bowls/salads and Hyphen was one of Cultivate Next's first investments in 2022.

[VIDEO]

Chipotle Tests Automation in the Kitchen with Hyphen
Restaurant Business / YouTube · 2023-10-03

Restaurant Business YouTube coverage of Chipotle's automation testing with Hyphen's robotic bowl assembly system, discussing how it integrates with the restaurant's digital order flow.

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Vebu Scores Deal (and Investment) With Chipotle to Trial Avocado Processing Robot
The Spoon · 2023-07-20

Food robotics outlet The Spoon covers the Autocado launch and Cultivate Next's investment in Vebu, contextualizing it as a milestone for Vebu (formerly Wavemaker, maker of Flippy burger robot).

[BLOG]

Autocado Ripens Chipotle's Robotics Outlook
OttOmate · 2023-07-17

OttOmate's newsletter covers the Autocado announcement and Cultivate Next's investment in Vebu, noting the robot could halve guacamole prep time from 50 to 25 minutes.

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Vebu Labs steals spotlight with Chipotle's avocado-peeling 'Autocado'
Restaurant Business · 2023-07-14

Restaurant Business profiles Vebu and Chipotle's Autocado robot test, noting the Cultivate Next investment and Vebu's broader fundraising plans with other restaurant brand investors.

[NEWS]

Chipotle Introduces Autocado, a Robot that Makes Guacamole
People · 2023-07-13

People magazine covers Chipotle's Autocado robot developed with Vebu, briefly noting the Cultivate Next venture fund investment as part of the broader guacamole automation story.

[PRESS RELEASE]

CHIPOTLE PARTNERS WITH VEBU TO TEST AUTOCADO PROTOTYPE, A ROBOTIC SOLUTION TO GUACAMOLE PREP
Chipotle Mexican Grill Investor Relations · 2023-07-12

Chipotle announces the Autocado avocado-processing robot prototype developed with Vebu, simultaneously disclosing a Cultivate Next investment in Vebu to fuel further restaurant automation innovation.

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Chipotle is testing guacamole prep automation
Nation's Restaurant News · 2023-07-12

NRN reports on the Autocado prototype and Chipotle's Cultivate Next investment in Vebu, noting the cobotic device could cut guacamole prep time by 50% and is currently being tested at Chipotle's Cultivate Center in Irvine.

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Chipotle pilots avocado robot that could halve guacamole prep time
Restaurant Dive · 2023-07-12

Restaurant Dive covers the Autocado robot and Cultivate Next's investment in Vebu, framing it as part of Chipotle's broader strategy to invest in labor-saving technology through its venture fund.

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Automated foodservice with EtherCAT to disrupt restaurant industry
www.motioncontroltips.com · 2022-10-17

Now an industrial-appliance-sized design called the Makeline from food services company Hyphen is leveraging software, rugged automation, and networked controls to help labor-strapped restaurants meet modern business demands. “We founded the business in July 2018 to leverage automation technology in...

[VIDEO]

Chipotle Enlists Hidden Robot Army to Make Your Burrito Bowl
Business Insider / YouTube · 2022-07-26

Business Insider YouTube video covering Chipotle's partnership with Hyphen (formerly Ono Food Co.) to test automated bowl assembly, showing how robots are being integrated into Chipotle kitchens.

[PRESS RELEASE]

CHIPOTLE INVESTS IN ROBOTIC MAKELINE AND PLANT-BASED PROTEIN VIA ITS NEW VENTURE FUND
Chipotle Mexican Grill Investor Relations · 2022-07-21

Chipotle announces its first two Cultivate Next investments: Hyphen, a foodservice automation platform building a robotic makeline, and Meati Foods, a mushroom-root protein company.

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Chipotle Mexican Grill makes first two investments through $50 million venture fund
Nation's Restaurant News · 2022-07-21

NRN reports on Cultivate Next's first cohort — Hyphen and Meati Foods — noting details on the automated makeline and mushroom-root protein products and statements from both companies' CEOs.

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Chipotle invests in kitchen automation platform Hyphen
Restaurant Dive · 2022-07-21

Restaurant Dive covers Hyphen and Meati Foods as Cultivate Next's first cohort, noting Hyphen's 99.9% accuracy makeline and its previous $24M Series A, and the strategic fit for Chipotle's digital sales growth.

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Chipotle Mexican Grill makes business-changing tech investment
Nation's Restaurant News · 2022-07-21

NRN's technology desk covers Hyphen and Meati as Cultivate Next's first investments, framing the automated makeline as a potential 'business-changing' development for Chipotle's digital operations.

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Chipotle Makes First Two Investments Via Its New Venture Fund
Foodservice Equipment Reports (FER) Magazine · 2022-07-21

FER Magazine covers the first two Cultivate Next investments in Hyphen's robotic makeline and Meati Foods' mushroom-root protein, focusing on the kitchen equipment and automation angle.

[VIDEO]

Beckhoff and Hyphen: Automating the Bowl Line at Chipotle
Beckhoff Automation / YouTube · 2021-12-02

Beckhoff Automation partners with Hyphen to show how their robotic bowl-filling system works in Chipotle kitchens, using PC-based control to automate ingredient dispensing.

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Best Robotic Food Prep Companies
www.cbinsights.com · 2020-01-01

The robotic food prep market offers robots that automate food preparation. The market includes various vendors offering different solutions, such as fully autonomous robotic fast-food stores, unmanned robot baristas, and automation solutions for all kitchen tasks. ... Hyphen specializes in automated...

[PODCAST]

Here Come The BurgerBots: A Conversation About Restaurant Robotics
The Spoon Podcast / Apple Podcasts · 2019-06-09

The Spoon Podcast episode featuring David Zito of Miso Robotics (parent company of Hyphen / Ono Food Co.) alongside other restaurant robotics leaders discussing the state of kitchen automation technology.

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Cultivate Next / Chipotle joins PopID team
LinkedIn / PopID · 2025-06-04

PopID LinkedIn post celebrates Chipotle's Cultivate Next joining as an investor.

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Pasadena Restaurants and Retailers Establish Nation’s First Pay-by-Face Network
pasadenanow.com · 2026-10-13

Part of the Pasadena-based Cali Group company, PopID is deploying its PopPay “face-pay” service throughout local businesses following the successful roll-out of their PopEntry facial recognition device that lets workers and students safely “scan-in” to their workplace and college campuses, company o...

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PopID's 'Face' Payment Platform in Use at 100+ Brands
hospitalitytech.com · 2026-10-13

More than 100 different restaurant and retail brands, including small businesses and chains, now accept PopID's payment product, called PopPay, around college campuses throughout Southern California. PopID has approximately 70,000 registered users and has accurately authenticated faces over four mil...

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US retailers trial pay-by-face in partnership with JPMorgan
retail-systems.com · 2026-10-12

JPMorgan Payments has partnered with identity verification technology firm PopID to pilot biometric payments at selected merchants across the US. The pay-by-face biometric payment system allows shoppers to pay for their goods without the need to use their phones or credit cards.

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PopID - Company Profile - Tracxn
tracxn.com · 2026-10-01

Provider of AI-based payment gateway for facial recognition. It provides users with a platform for verifying identity-based on face for applications such as loyalty, payment, and entry. It enables consumers to order at self-service kiosks and stores and access payment methods using their faces. It a...

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Pay with your face: Businesses embrace facial recognition payment
www.newsnationnow.com · 2026-09-26

Now, a restaurant in Pasadena, California, is among those where diners can use face payment. ... Diners can customize their orders like many other restaurants, but a new checkout option called PopID facilitates payments through facial recognition. It can also immediately recognize individual custome...

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PopID’s face-based payments pose privacy and security risks
venturebeat.com · 2026-09-21

Most rely on familiar, existing platforms and technologies, but a new entrant called PopID is pushing a potentially problematic solution that leverages facial recognition. ... PopID recently launched a face-based payments network with 25 restaurants and retailers in Pasadena; it also offers a produc...

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Dan Rosen's Post - PopID Closes Equity Financing
LinkedIn · 2026-08-09

PopID Closes Equity Financing | Dan Rosen Dan Rosen’s Post Dan Rosen 1y - Report this post Really excited about the opportunity PopID is pioneering to bring biometrics to the point of sale!! PopID 2,958 followers 1y Exciting News from PopID!

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Pay by Smile: In-Store Biometric Payments in the U.S. | J.P. Morgan
www.jpmorgan.com · 2026-08-06

J.P. Morgan Payments is expanding its relationship with PopID to deploy in-store biometric payments to pilot merchants across the United States. Shoppers can complete transactions using pay-by-face biometrics, without pulling out their phones or credit cards. ... Through J.P. Morgan Payments and Pop...

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Steak-n-Shake Kiosk Automation: QSR's Path to Efficiency
kioskindustry.org · 2026-08-06

For technical points they are one of the first to use biometrics (and get sued for it with PopID) and one of the first to accept bitcoin (via Acrelec kiosks running NCR Aloha). ... - Biometrics – Steak ’n Shake has deployed **PopID’s biometric check-in and PopPay payment ** software across its kiosk...

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Payment Kiosk and Bill Pay Kiosk
kioskindustry.org · 2026-07-31

cash recycling. Payment in the retail sector has morphed into mobile pay options, biometrics like Facial (see PopID) to SMS. ... A payment kiosk is a self-service terminal that allows customers to make payments for goods and services. ... #### To use a kiosk, customers typically need to: - Enter...

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Paravision
www.biometricupdate.com · 2026-07-31

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Payment Kiosk & Grocery Payments
kioskindustry.org · 2026-07-30

1. Kiosk Payment via Facial Recognition with PopID Drive-thru, quick service, and counter service restaurants in California have been the first to implement payment by facial recognition technology. PopID, a Cali Group company, developed this alternative kiosk payment option. Customers can sign ...

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Vow Appoints New CEO Amid Expansion Plans
LinkedIn · 2026-06-23

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PopID Palm Biometrics Live in West LA Coffee Shops - LinkedIn
www.linkedin.com · 2026-06-12

Exciting to see PopID's palm biometric technology now live in coffee shops in West LA. ... Over a hundred thousand consumers have used the PopID identity service over the last several years to authenticate millions of loyalty check in and payment transactions in restaurants and grocery stores by sca...

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UAE introduces region's first biometric payment method | PopID
LinkedIn · 2026-01-30

Imagine a world where you don’t need a wallet or a phone to buy your morning coffee, just your smile. That future is now a reality in the UAE.

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NEC Invests in PopID for Contactless Payments
LinkedIn · 2026-01-15

NEC just made a strategic investment in PopID - the biometric payment company that lets you pay with just your face.

[NEWS]

NEC takes a stake in PopID, expands biometric payment solutions globally
Biometric Update · 2025-12-04

NEC's Orchestrating Future Fund invests in PopID following its Series C round (which included Chipotle's Cultivate Next), aiming to combine NEC's world-leading biometric authentication with PopID's 1,000+ merchant network.

[PRESS RELEASE]

NEC Orchestrating Future Fund Invests in PopID, Inc. to Accelerate Global Expansion of Biometric Payment Solutions
NEC Corporation (press release) · 2025-12-04

NEC Corporation announces its investment in PopID through its corporate venture fund, confirming PopID's Series C round included Verifone, Visa, PayPal, Commerce Ventures, and Cultivate Next, and highlighting plans for global biometric payment expansion.

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Delighted to share that Visa Ventures has invested in PopID. | David ...
LinkedIn · 2025-09-15

Delighted to share that Visa Ventures has invested in PopID. We've known John and the team there for several years and the combination of hard technology + well-designed solution has continued to impress as their traction has grown.

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Excited to announce our partnership with PopID, a biometric fintech company, to integrate PopPay into our front-end point-of-sale and self-service solutions running our ELERA Commerce Platform. | Toshiba Global Commerce Solutions
LinkedIn · 2025-07-15

Excited to announce our partnership with PopID, a biometric fintech company, to integrate PopPay into our front-end point-of-sale and self-service solutions running our ELERA Commerce Platform.

[NEWS]

PopID gets equity financing to build global biometric network infrastructure
Biometric Update · 2025-06-05

PopID received equity financing from Verifone, Chipotle's Cultivate Next, Commerce Ventures, PayPal and Visa Ventures for global biometric payments.

[PRESS RELEASE]

Verifone Invests in PopID to Accelerate Global Adoption of Biometric Authentication
Verifone · 2025-06-04

PopID announced equity financing from Verifone, PayPal, Commerce Ventures, Chipotle's Cultivate Next, and Visa Ventures to build a global biometric network.

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PopID Closes Equity Financing
Yahoo Finance · 2025-06-04

PopID closed equity financing from Verifone, PayPal, Commerce Ventures, Chipotle's Cultivate Next, and Visa Ventures.

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PayPal, Visa Back PopID's Biometric Payment Network in Major Funding Round
ID Tech Wire · 2025-06-04

PopID secured equity financing from five investors to expand its global biometric authentication network.

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Cultivate Next / Chipotle joins PopID team
LinkedIn / PopID · 2025-06-04

PopID LinkedIn post celebrates Chipotle's Cultivate Next joining as an investor.

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#biometricpayments #biometrics #jpmorganpayments | Bhavya Shah
LinkedIn · 2025-04-09

Senior Product Manager @ JPMorgan Chase | Biometric Payments | Zero to One Products | Creating API, SDK & Platform based Products At J.P. Morgan Payments, we are thrilled to expand our collaboration with PopID to pilot innovative biometric payment solutions in stores across the U.S.

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#popid #verifone #facepay #palmpay #biometricpayments #biometricloyalty... | Evan Grant
LinkedIn · 2025-03-25

PopID is thrilled to work with the amazing and talented team at Verifone to allow people around the world to pay and get loyalty points with just a smile or wave. Verifone and PopID are taking biometric payments and loyalty to the masses!

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Steak 'n Shake installs facial recognition at self-ordering kiosks
www.restaurantdive.com · 2024-04-16

Dive Brief: - Steak ‘n Shake is installing biometric facial recognition check-in and checkout tech across its 300 U.S.** ** locations through a partnership with PopID, the companies said in a press release Monday. - The chain is the first to adopt this technology nationwide, the press release cl...

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Insights: How Will Digital Identities Shape the Future of Payments?
Fintech Insider by 11:FS / Apple Podcasts · 2024-04-04

Fintech Insider podcast episode featuring PopID CEO John Miller discussing how digital identities and facial recognition are shaping the future of payment systems in restaurants and retail.

[NEWS]

J.P. Morgan plans biometric payments rollout with PopID in 2025
Biometric Update · 2024-03-12

J.P. Morgan announces plans to roll out biometric payments powered by PopID's facial recognition technology to merchants across the US, following pilots including the Formula 1 Miami Grand Prix.

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#qatar #payments | HPS
LinkedIn · 2023-02-17

Qatar commercial bank QNB Group recently launched its biometric payment services based on technology from US face verifier PopID and Visa which was recently trialled at cafes during the recent FIFA World Cup.

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PopID and Toshiba Global Commerce Solutions Partner to Deliver ...
commerce.toshiba.com · 2023-01-13

PopID, a biometric fintech company, and Toshiba Global Commerce Solutions, retail's first choice for unified commerce solutions, have announced a partnership to integrate PopPay into Toshiba's front-end point-of-sale and self-service solutions running its ELERA Commerce Platform.\n...\nPopID provide...

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PopID and Toshiba Global Commerce Solutions Partner to Deliver Biometric Enabled Point-of-Sale and Self-Checkout Systems
www.businesswire.com · 2023-01-13

A new partnership will integrate PopID's PopPay into Toshiba's front-end point-of-sale and self-service solutions running its ELERA Commerce Platform. PopPay enables consumers to authenticate their identity for payment and/or loyalty using artificial intelligence-based facial verification software. ...

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Contactless biometric payment startups PopID and PayEye continue ...
Biometric Update · 2021-01-28

Biometric Update reports on PopID's expansion of face-based payments in the U.S., including adoption at restaurants and cafés.

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PopID's face-based payments pose privacy and security risks
venturebeat.com · 2020-08-27

While many businesses continue to depend on established platforms and technologies, a newcomer named PopID is introducing a potentially contentious method that employs facial recognition technology. ...

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Panasonic retail kiosks upgraded with PopID’s facial recognition, biometric payments | Biometric Update
www.biometricupdate.com · 2020-06-12

Panasonic has partnered with PopID to expand facial recognition ordering and biometric payments in the restaurant and retail industries to improve guest experience and boost profitability, the company announced.\n...\nPopID has been spending the past years fine tuning its technology that can be used...

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Retail facial recognition and eye tracking the next tech ...
www.techtarget.com · 2020-01-24

Customers in several small restaurant chains in California and Illinois can order meals on kiosks from vendor PopID, a company that integrates NEC facial recognition and Brierley Group digital loyalty programs into the kiosks. The goal for many restaurants with self-service kiosks is to eliminate hu...

[ARTICLE]

'Futuristic' PopID machines improve restaurant efficiency, raise ...
stanforddaily.com · 2019-03-05

PopID, founded in 2017, has now arrived at its first two college campuses: Stanford and the University of Southern California.\n...\nPopID kiosks scan customers' faces at participating restaurants using a technology called NeoFace, which is used primarily by law enforcement agencies to analyze faces...

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Using facial recognition to buy a burger
enewspaper.latimes.com ·

Using facial recognition to buy a burger\nCreepy or cool?\nContactless payment option is pegged to users' biometric data\nA new way to pay has arrived in Los Angeles: your face.\nAs so-called contactless payments rise in popularity during the p

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Chipotle's Cultivate Next venture fund invests in Lumachain and Brassica
Yahoo Finance · 2024-10-16

Yahoo Finance covers the Cultivate Next investments in AI supply chain firm Lumachain and fast-casual concept Brassica, noting the fund's mission to support Chipotle's long-term 7,000-restaurant expansion.

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Best Mediterranean Restaurants in 90 Cities Worldwide
tablejourney.com · 2026-10-11

Best Mediterranean Restaurants Around the World ## Find a place ### Barbuzzo ★ 4.4 $$$*$* PhiladelphiaMediterraneanCenter City ... ### Brassica ★ 4.3 $$*$$* ColumbusMediterraneanShort North Brassica on North High Street in Columbus's Short North is the Mediterranean fast-casual counter with hearth...

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Hot Concepts - Nation's Restaurant News
www.nrn.com · 2026-10-07

With Chipotle's help, Brassica could be the next huge Mediterranean fast casual restaurant With Chipotle's help, Brassica could be the next huge Mediterranean fast casual restaurant

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All Restaurants
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Move Over, Chipotle: Brassica Is Our New Fast-Casual Fave
clevelandmagazine.com · 2026-09-08

The Mediterranean restaurant offers up pita sandwiches and salads with tasty falafel, tender brisket and plenty of toppings. ... ** Brassica, the fast-casual Lebanese restaurant, which started in our capital city's Short North neighborhood, has made its way to Cleveland. ... Since opening in Shaker ...

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Brassica Kitchen + Cafe, Boston, Massachusetts, United ...
www.cntraveler.com · 2026-09-02

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www.thevanakendistrict.com · 2026-08-08

Brassica Lebanese fast casual with Mediterranean flavors and organic practices ### Cilantro Taqueria ... ### Location 3401 Tuttle Road Shaker Heights - OH 44122 ### Hours Monday - Thursday 7 AM - 9 PM Friday - Saturday 7 AM - 10 PM Sunday 7 AM - 8 PM ### Contact

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Brassica in Upper Arlington - Restaurant in West Olentangy ...
www.postcard.inc · 2026-08-07

Mediterranean fast-casual with build-your-own bowls, pita, hummus 1442 W Lane Ave, Upper Arlington, OH 43221 Get directions $10–20 · Menu

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Culture - Brassica
brassicas.com · 2026-08-06

Best Gluten FreeColumbus Navigator Best Fast CasualColumbus Underground Best Fries in Columbus[614]Now Columbest 2026 Best Mediterranean RestaurantColumbus Monthly Best Restaurant in ClevelandYelp Cleveland Top 100 Midwest RestaurantsYelp

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Brassicas restaurant review: delicious but pricey vegetarian options ...
www.facebook.com · 2026-08-06

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Brassica Shares the vegan secret behind its signature ...
www.click2houston.com · 2026-08-04

Brassica is known for its Eastern Mediterranean-inspired menu featuring build-your-own sandwiches, salads, hummus plates, and fresh ingredients prepared in-house. Founded in Columbus, Ohio, in 2015, the Houston location marks the brand's first restaurant outside of Ohio.

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buckheadrestaurantweek.com · 2026-08-01

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LinkedIn · 2026-07-28

Brassica's restaurant team visited longtime organic produce partner Three Creeks Produce during the company's annual Farm Days program, connecting ingredient sourcing with the values that guide its restaurants.

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How Chipotle is investing to meet a demand for food with integrity
Global Venturing · 2026-04-01

Global Venturing feature on Cultivate Next fund manager Christian Gammill names Christian Gammill as a 2026 GCV Emerging Leader.

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Brassica Kitchen + Cafe - Jamaica Plain, MA | joe coffee
joe.coffee · 2026-03-28

Hip, buzzy cafe with gourmet java & pastries by day & Euro-style meals, plus cocktails, by night. ... Shown in local shop time (EDT) Monday Closed Tuesday Closed Wednesday 5 AM - 9 PM Thursday 5 AM - 9 PM Friday 5 AM - 10 PM Saturday 10 AM - 2 PM, 5 AM - 10 PM Sunday 10 AM - 2 PM @brassicakitchen .....

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Brassica Continuing Growth with New Restaurant at Village North Development
WhatNow Columbus · 2026-03-12

Brassica signs lease for new location in West Chester Township, OH, as part of ongoing expansion.

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The 50 best takeout food in Boston - Wanderlog
wanderlog.com · 2025-12-31

11 Brassica Kitchen + Cafe 4.7 (1287) • 4.5 (62) • Mentioned on +2 other lists Restaurant American restaurant French restaurant Brassica Kitchen + Cafe is a vibrant and trendy spot in Jamaica Plain, Boston. By day, it offers gourmet coffee and pastries, while at night it transforms into a Euro-st...

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Brassica Plans First Houston Location Opening in Spring 2026
Houston.com · 2025-12-09

Ohio-based Brassica prepares to open its first Texas location in Houston in spring 2026.

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Brassica, Ohio-Based Mediterranean Restaurant Chain, to Debut in ...
whatnow.com · 2025-12-08

Brassica, Ohio-Based Mediterranean Restaurant Chain, to Debut in Houston Spring 2026 ... ## Ohio-based Mediterranean restaurant, Brassica, will open its first location in Houston off of Voss Road. ... **Brassica** is set to debut in Houston at **1413 Voss Rd, Suite A**. The Ohio-based **Mediterranea...

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The best fast casual restaurant in every US state
lovefood.com · 2025-11-28

The article names Ohio's Brassica as a top fast-casual restaurant, describing its locations around Columbus and Cleveland and its sandwiches, salads and hummus bowls.

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Brassica Kitchen opens in its new home in Jamaica Plain
www.nbcboston.com · 2025-10-17

JP’s Brassica Kitchen restaurant opens in its new home – NBC Boston ... # Brassica Kitchen opens in its new home in Jamaica Plain ## Brassica Kitchen is now open in its new home in the Forest Hills section of JP, with the place moving into the former Dogwood Cafe space adjacent to their old space.

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5 lessons from leaders at emerging restaurant chains — featuring Brassica
LinkedIn / Nation's Restaurant News · 2025-10-17

NRN shares lessons from Brassica and other 2025 Hot Concepts winners at the CREATE event for emerging restaurateurs in Nashville.

[NEWS]

With Chipotle's help, Brassica could be the next huge Mediterranean fast casual restaurant
Nation's Restaurant News · 2025-10-08

Post-investment update highlighting Brassica's growth plans for six new locations in 18 months across Cincinnati, Indianapolis, and Houston.

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Brassica gets investment from Chipotle's Cultivate Next fund
LinkedIn / Nation's Restaurant News · 2025-10-08

NRN LinkedIn post links to full story on Brassica's Cultivate Next investment and expansion plans.

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Brassica Ohio-based brand announces out-of-state expansion
Goodman Real Estate · 2025-09-24

Brassica announced expansion to Houston and Indianapolis, planning three new locations soon and three more after.

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Less than a year from an investment from Chipotle, Brassica prepares to double its unit count
Restaurant Business Online · 2025-08-29

Restaurant Business reports that Brassica is planning six new locations in 18 months across Cincinnati, Houston, and Indianapolis, leveraging its Chipotle investment to double its unit count.

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Ohio Mediterranean restaurant to open first Texas location in Houston
Houston Chronicle · 2025-08-01

Houston Chronicle reports that Brassica will open its first Texas location at 1413 S Voss Rd in Hunters Creek Village, Houston, marking the Mediterranean fast-casual chain's expansion beyond the Midwest.

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Nation's Restaurant News announces 2025 Hot Concepts award winners — Brassica named
Nation's Restaurant News · 2025-07-23

Brassica named one of NRN's 2025 Hot Concepts, recognizing the six-unit Mediterranean fast casual backed by Chipotle's Cultivate Next for its growth momentum.

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Brassica in the Short North (2026) – Best of TikTok, Instagram ... - Airial
airial.travel · 2025-04-13

Brassica in the Short North Brassica offers a vibrant, fast-casual Mediterranean experience with build-your-own bowls and pitas featuring fresh, local ingredients. ...

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Chipotle Fund Invests In Brassica: Expansion Could Be Next
Forbes · 2025-02-20

Chipotle's Cultivate Next fund made a minority investment in Brassica, an Ohio-based Mediterranean restaurant chain with 6 locations, to support expansion.

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Why Chipotle Bet Big on Rising Mediterranean Star Brassica
QSR Magazine · 2025-01-30

QSR Magazine deep-dive profile on Brassica co-founder Kevin Malhame's history with Chipotle, how the investment came about, and why Brassica is positioned as a strong Mediterranean fast-casual growth concept.

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Emerging concepts to watch in 2025
www.restaurantbusinessonline.com · 2024-12-17

Brassica Chipotle’s venture fund arm recently invested in this fast-casual Mediterranean concept out of Ohio. Brassica was co-founded in 2015 by Kevin and Katy Malhame, who are also behind Northstar Café.

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Chipotle Invests in a Mediterranean Fast Casual Brand
www.qsrmagazine.com · 2024-10-30

That changed Tuesday as Chipotle announced two more commitments—AI supply chain platform Lumachain, and Brassica, a fast casual from Columbus, Ohio, founded in September 2015 that began in a 1,600-square foot venue. Chipotle said Brassica, which has six units and lives within the growing Mediterrane...

[VIDEO]

How Brassica Caught Chipotle's Eye — NRN Extra Serving
Nation's Restaurant News / YouTube · 2024-10-24

NRN Extra Serving video interview with Brassica co-founder Kevin Malhame discussing how the Ohio-based Mediterranean fast-casual brand attracted investment from Chipotle's Cultivate Next venture fund.

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Chipotle invests US$100m in Lumachain and Brassica
QSR Media (International) · 2024-10-17

QSR Media covers Cultivate Next's minority investments in Lumachain and Brassica, noting the fund launched in 2022 to make early-stage investments aligned with Chipotle's 7,000-restaurant growth plan.

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Chipotle's Cultivate Next venture fund invests in Lumachain and Brassica
Yahoo Finance · 2024-10-16

Yahoo Finance covers the Cultivate Next investments in AI supply chain firm Lumachain and fast-casual concept Brassica, noting the fund's mission to support Chipotle's long-term 7,000-restaurant expansion.

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CHIPOTLE'S CULTIVATE NEXT FUND INVESTS IN AI SUPPLY CHAIN SOLUTION AND EMERGING FAST-CASUAL CONCEPT
Chipotle Mexican Grill Investor Relations · 2024-10-15

Chipotle announces Cultivate Next minority investments in Lumachain (AI supply chain traceability platform) and Brassica (six-unit Mediterranean fast-casual concept), bringing the portfolio to nine companies.

[PRESS RELEASE]

CHIPOTLE'S CULTIVATE NEXT FUND INVESTS IN AI SUPPLY CHAIN SOLUTION AND EMERGING FAST-CASUAL CONCEPT
PR Newswire · 2024-10-15

Wire distribution of Chipotle's Cultivate Next announcement of investments in Lumachain and Brassica, with quotes from Chief Business Development Officer Nate Lawton on the strategic rationale.

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Chipotle makes minority investment in Mediterranean fast casual and AI supply chain firm
Restaurant Dive · 2024-10-15

Restaurant Dive covers Cultivate Next's investments in Lumachain and six-unit Brassica, noting this is the first time the fund has invested in a restaurant concept itself.

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Chipotle Invests in a Mediterranean Fast Casual Brand
QSR Magazine · 2024-10-15

QSR Magazine covers the Cultivate Next investments in Brassica and Lumachain, noting that investing in another restaurant concept is a first for the fund and discussing the Mediterranean segment's growth.

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Where to Find Boston's Best Fried Chicken Right Now
www.bostonmagazine.com · 2024-03-26

Brassica Kitchen & Café ... *3710 Washington St., Boston, 617-477-4519, brassicakitchen.com.*

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Brassica opens second restaurant location in Cleveland, Ohio
www.verdictfoodservice.com · 2023-12-18

US-based fast-casual restaurant Brassica has opened its second location in Cleveland, Ohio. Located at 30070 Detroit Road, Westlake, it will be Brassica's sixth restaurant.

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The 10 Best Jamaica Plain Restaurants - The Food Lens
www.thefoodlens.com · 2023-01-08

Brassica Kitchen\n...\n### Brassica Kitchen + Cafe\n...\n**Brassica Kitchen + Cafe** is located on Washington Street across from Forest Hills Station, with a lively open kitchen, dining room with mismatched furniture, and an endearingly ad-hoc parking-lot patio.

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Best of Boston 2021: Dining
www.bostonmagazine.com · 2021-07-06

Brassica Kitchen + Café In its playful, never-ending quest to give the people what they want, Brassica has worn a dizzying number of hats this year: breakfast nook, provisions kiosk, empanaderia, fish taverna. Along the way, we worried fantastic menu fixtures like Brassica's hot, made-fresh-daily...

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Brassica Kitchen + Cafe can't be contained
www.bostonglobe.com · 2021-01-12

Brassica Kitchen + Cafe can't be contained ... ## The JP restaurant pursues passion and creativity through difficult times Buffalo Chicken Sandwich at Brassica Kitchen.

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Brassica Kitchen + Cafe can't be contained - The Boston Globe
www.bostonglobe.com · 2021-01-12

Brassica, a cafe by day and neighborhood restaurant serving homemade, locally sourced food by night, has been staying busy with takeout.Erin Clark/Globe Staff ... Creativity is the way of life at Jamaica Plain's Brassica Kitchen + Cafe, and this year the people behind the restaurant — people who als...

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How to Eat at Eater 38 Restaurants That Are Still Open in Boston
boston.eater.com · 2020-04-02

Dakzen Davis Square Thai gem Dakzen, Eater Boston's 2018 fast-casual restaurant of the year, remains open for delivery and takeout daily for lunch, dinner, and late-night. ... Brassica Kitchen + Cafe Cafe by day, funky upscale-yet-casual dinner destination by night, Brassica Kitchen is offering its ...

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Boston Restaurant Reviews - Page 21 - The Infatuation
www.theinfatuation.com · 2019-01-29

Brassica Kitchen & Cafe Brassica kitchen is a restaurant in Jamaica Plain that's a cafe by day and a inventive New American tasting menu place at night.Previous pageLoad more

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Dinner
www.2foodtrippers.com · 2016-06-30

Brassica ... #### Brassica This falafel sandwich at Brassica is colorfully loaded with beets and pickles plus the restaurant's special sauce.

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Brassica Kitchen + Cafe | Eater Boston
boston.eater.com · 2015-04-30

Brassica Kitchen + Cafe | Eater Boston # Brassica Kitchen + Cafe - 3710 Washington St, Jamaica Plain, MA, 02130, US - (617) 477-4519 - http://www.brassicakitchen.com/ - Today: 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm Sunday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Monday: Closed Tuesday: Closed Wednesday: 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm Thursday: 5:00 pm -...

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Brassica
www.bitesnsites.net ·

You can still find exquisite settings, presentations, and high-ticket plates but the market clearly prefers more casual atmospheres\nand that is what you get with Brassica,\na modern southern with a French-twist concept that just opened in th

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Menu FAQs - Brassica
www.brassicas.com ·

Our restaurants all feature friendly, casual counter-service.\nWe welcome our guests to order their food, help themselves to the beverage of their choice, and select the perfect spot to dine.\n...\n### + What are your hours of operation?\nWe ar

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IMIO Raises $12M from Sofinnova Partners and Chipotle's Cultivate Next to Scale Reliable Biologicals and Improve Soil Performance
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Chipotle Launches $50M Venture Fund
hospitalitytech.com · 2026-09-18

Chipotle Mexican Grill's newest role? Investor. Chipotle Mexican Grill has formed Cultivate Next, a new venture which intends to make early-stage investments into strategically aligned companies that further the company's mission \"to cultivate a better world.\" The new venture fund will have an ini...

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First-Ever Acquisition for Chipotle's \"Cultivate Next\" ...
www.keglerbrown.com · 2026-09-15

First-Ever Acquisition for Chipotle's \"Cultivate Next\" Venture Fund Kegler Brown’s restaurant industry deal team served as lead transaction counsel for Brassica – the Columbus-based, Mediterranean-inspired, fast-casual restaurant concept – in acquiring a minority investment from Chipotle Mexica...

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How Chipotle made its kitchens more efficient
www.fastcompany.com · 2026-09-08

HEEP is expected to be in about 2,000 restaurants by the end of 2026, but it's far from the only innovative practice at Chipotle, where an internal R&D lab called the Cultivate Center has developed methods for rapid prototyping, restaurant testing, and iterative improvements. Chipotle also recently ...

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Plantible Foods raises US$35 million to expand Rubi ...
www.proteinproductiontechnology.com · 2026-08-06

In November 2024, Protein Production Technology International reported that the company raised a US$30 million Series B round co-led by Piva Capital and Siddhi Capital, with participation from Betagro Ventures, Chipotle's Cultivate Next fund, Nourish Ventures and Astanor Ventures. ... Chipotle also ...

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Why AgriTech Startups Fail to Solve the Right Problem - LinkedIn
www.linkedin.com · 2026-08-04

CHIPOTLE'S CULTIVATE NEXT BACKS HUB COHORT ALUMNI BENCHMARK LABS Exciting news! Benchmark Labs Inc., part of our 2023 Cohort through the Hub's Innovator Program, has landed a spot in Chipotle's latest round of venture investments. The company joins five others — IMIO, Clean Crop Technologies, In...

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Evaluating the Olive Crop in Halkidiki Greece | Nikki Seaman posted ...
www.linkedin.com · 2026-08-03

We have big news to share! Benchmark Labs has officially joined Cultivate Next / Chipotle portfolio. Chipotle just bet on the future of agricultural intelligence. Out of six companies selected for their Cultivate Next fund — spanning soil health, supply chain transparency, and sustainability — Benc...

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Pravin Rai's QuicKart Revolutionizes Fresh Produce ...
www.linkedin.com · 2026-07-31

Chipotle Mexican Grill just invested in 6 restaurant tech companies through their Cultivate Next fund. That caught my attention. ... Today, we're proud to announce that Cultivate Next, Chipotle's venture fund, has made strategic investments in six companies advancing agriculture, sustainability, sup...

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Chipotle Venture Fund Invests in Six Agriculture and Restaurant Tech Startups
Food On Demand · 2026-07-14

Food On Demand reports on Cultivate Next's investments in six companies spanning agriculture, sustainability, supply-chain transparency and restaurant technology.

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Chipotle (CMG) Launches PGA Tour 2K25 Rewards And Expands Cultivate Next Bets
finance.yahoo.com · 2026-07-10

Get insights on thousands of stocks from the global community of over 7 million individual investors at Simply Wall St. - Chipotle Mexican Grill (NYSE:CMG) has partnered with PGA Tour 2K25 to link in game achievements to real world food rewards. - The company also reported active investments in six ...

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Chipotle invests in 6 more emerging companies
Nation's Restaurant News · 2026-07-08

Nation's Restaurant News reports that Chipotle's Cultivate Next fund selected six more emerging companies for investment: Benchmark Labs, IMIO, Clean Crop Technologies, Athian, SIMPLi and PopID.

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Chipotle Expands Cultivate Next with Six New Food Tech Investments
finance.yahoo.com · 2026-07-08

The fast casual announced Wednesday that its venture fund, Cultivate Next, has invested in six early-stage companies focused on agriculture, sustainability, supply chain transparency, and technology. The latest investments include Benchmark Labs, IMIO, Clean Crop Technologies, Athian, SIMPLi, and Po...

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Can Fast Food be Sustainable? Chipotle Cultivating a Better World with Food
Dirt-to-Dinner · 2026-04-16

Dirt-to-Dinner summarizes Chipotle's $100M Cultivate Next fund, profiling its investments in Hyphen, GreenField Robotics, Nitricity, and Meati Foods as a 'forward-thinking approach' to restaurant sustainability.

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Chipotle's Commitment to ‘Food with Integrity': How They're Innovating to Meet Growing Consumer Demand
Newz9 · 2026-04-01

Newz9 profiles Christian Gammill's Cultivate Next investment strategy and mentions portfolio companies including Local Line, Zero Acre Farms and Athian.

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Global Corporate Venturing LinkedIn post sharing Gammill interview
Global Corporate Venturing on LinkedIn · 2026-04-01

GCV's official LinkedIn shares the 'food with integrity' interview with Chipotle's Christian Gammill, quoting his insight on consumer demand for food transparency as the catalyst driving Cultivate Next's investment strategy.

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Christian Gammill's Post – GCV 2026 Emerging Leaders
Christian Gammill on LinkedIn · 2026-03-23

Christian Gammill announces on LinkedIn that he was named to the GCV 2026 Emerging Leaders list, reflecting on his decade-plus in corporate venturing since launching Technicolor Ventures.

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2026 GCV Emerging Leaders – Christian Gammill, Cultivate Next
Global Corporate Venturing · 2026-03-20

GCV names Christian Gammill of Cultivate Next to its 2026 Emerging Leaders list, recognizing mid-career CVC professionals making outstanding contributions to the corporate venturing ecosystem.

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Christian Gammill's Post — Local Line & Chipotle collaboration spotlight
LinkedIn (Christian Gammill) · 2025-07-01

Cultivate Next Fund Manager Christian Gammill posts on LinkedIn highlighting the Local Line and Chipotle partnership results, noting 47M+ pounds of local produce sourced and 940M+ food miles eliminated.

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Chipotle's $100M Plan to Revolutionize Sustainable Food Production
Emerging.com · 2025-01-23

Emerging.com analysis piece covers Chipotle's Cultivate Next $100M commitment and its 2025 investments in Plantible and CH4 Global as part of a broader sustainability strategy.

[PODCAST]

Chipotle's latest investments, KFC's tenders, and Red Robin's... — Extra Serving Podcast (NRN)
Nation's Restaurant News / YouTube · 2024-10-22

NRN's 'Extra Serving' podcast video episode discusses Cultivate Next's latest Lumachain and Brassica investments, with editors Sam Oches and Alicia Kelso analyzing why the Brassica investment is bullish and how the fund has evolved since 2022.

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Chipotle's latest investments, KFC's tenders, and Red Robin's... — Extra Serving Podcast (Spotify)
Nation's Restaurant News / Spotify · 2024-10-21

Spotify audio version of NRN's Extra Serving episode discussing Chipotle's Cultivate Next investments in Lumachain and Brassica, contextualizing the fund's two-year track record.

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Chipotle Mexican Grill Doubles Commitment To Cultivate Next Fund With $100 Million Investment
Traded.co · 2024-04-18

VC tracking platform Traded.co records the Cultivate Next $100M commitment, identifying Christian Gammill as Fund Manager and noting the fund's focus on early-stage supply chain, agriculture, and restaurant innovation.

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Chipotle invests another $50M into agtech and restaurant innovation
Agriculture Dive · 2024-03-08

Agriculture Dive notes Chipotle's doubling of Cultivate Next to $100M in a roundup of agtech news, contextualizing it alongside the fund's existing regenerative agriculture investments.

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Chipotle Doubles Size of VC Fund Cultivate Next to $100M
Global AgInvesting · 2024-03-06

Global AgInvesting covers the Cultivate Next doubling with an agribusiness angle, detailing all seven portfolio companies (Local Line, GreenField Robotics, Nitricity, Vebu, Hyphen, Meati, Zero Acre Farms) and their roles.

[NEWS]

Chipotle Is Looking to Invest $100 Million in the Future of Food
Food & Wine · 2024-03-01

Food & Wine covers Chipotle's doubling of the Cultivate Next fund to $100M, explaining that investments focus on farming, supply chain, automation, and plant-based foods aligned with the brand's values.

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Chipotle doubles Cultivate Next venture fund to $100m
www.venturecapitaljournal.com · 2024-02-28

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CHIPOTLE DOUBLES ITS COMMITMENT TO THE CULTIVATE NEXT VENTURE FUND TO $100 MILLION, MARKING ITS TWO-YEAR ANNIVERSARY
Chipotle Mexican Grill Investor Relations · 2024-02-28

Chipotle officially announces doubling Cultivate Next from $50M to $100M on the fund's second anniversary, with Christian Gammill named as Fund Manager and additional investments in Local Line and Hyphen disclosed.

[PRESS RELEASE]

CHIPOTLE DOUBLES ITS COMMITMENT TO THE CULTIVATE NEXT VENTURE FUND TO $100 MILLION
PR Newswire · 2024-02-28

Wire distribution of Chipotle's $100M Cultivate Next announcement, featuring Christian Gammill's quote about witnessing cohort progress and Curt Garner's statement on investing in companies that improve the human experience.

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Chipotle doubles its venture fund to pursue more startup partnerships
Nation's Restaurant News · 2024-02-28

NRN covers the Cultivate Next doubling to $100M, detailing follow-on investments in Local Line and Hyphen and describing Vebu's Autocado as heading toward an operational restaurant test in spring 2024.

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Chipotle doubles down on Cultivate Next
Restaurant Business · 2024-02-28

Restaurant Business reports on the Cultivate Next doubling to $100M, noting that Chipotle has upped its investments in both Hyphen and Local Line alongside the increased capital commitment.

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Chipotle doubles tech venture fund spending to $100M
Restaurant Dive · 2024-02-28

Restaurant Dive covers the Cultivate Next expansion to $100M, highlighting CEO Brian Niccol's Q4 2023 earnings call mention of planned 2024 pilot tests for both the Autocado and Hyphen makeline.

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Chipotle Doubles Venture Fund to $100 Million
QSR Magazine · 2024-02-28

QSR Magazine reports Chipotle's Cultivate Next venture fund doubling to $100 million, boosting its ability to invest in companies advancing supply chain, agriculture, restaurant innovation, and automation.

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Chipotle doubles pledge to Cultivate Next fund to $100MM
Blue Book Services · 2024-02-28

Blue Book Services (produce industry trade publication) covers the Cultivate Next doubling to $100M, particularly noting the Local Line follow-on investment and Chipotle's local farm grants program.

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Chipotle Doubles Cultivate Next Fund to $100M to Drive Sustainability and Innovation in Food Tech
Vegconomist · 2024-02-28

Vegconomist covers the Cultivate Next doubling to $100M, highlighting Christian Gammill's quote on witnessing cohort progress and detailing the plant-based investments like Meati Foods and Zero Acre Farms.

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Why Chipotle Invested in a $150 Million Funding Round for Vegan Steak Startup Meati
vegnews.com · 2022-07-21

Today, Colorado-based startup Meati Foods closed a $150 million series C funding round led by Revolution Growth, with participation from existing and new investors, including Cultivate Next, Chipotle Mexican Grill’s new venture fund. ... Curt Garner, Chief Technology Officer at Chipotle, explains th...

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Restaurant Investment Initiatives: Cultivate Next
Trend Hunter · 2022-04-29

Trend Hunter profiles the Cultivate Next launch as a new restaurant investment initiative by Chipotle aimed at Series B companies developing food and restaurant innovations aligned with its 7,000-location growth goal.

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Chipotle hopes new $50m fund will continue its 'technological transformation'
AgFunderNews · 2022-04-21

AgFunderNews interviews CTO Curt Garner about Cultivate Next, with Garner confirming the fund is open to growing beyond $50M and will accept companies on a rolling basis focused on farming, supply chain, and robotics.

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Chipotle Unveils New $50 Million Food Tech Venture Fund
dot.LA · 2022-04-20

Los Angeles-focused tech outlet dot.LA reports on the Cultivate Next launch, framing it in context of the LA food-tech startup ecosystem and Chipotle's prior robot (Chippy) partnership with Miso Robotics.

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CHIPOTLE ANNOUNCES $50 MILLION NEW VENTURE FUND, CULTIVATE NEXT
Chipotle Mexican Grill Investor Relations · 2022-04-19

Chipotle officially announces the formation of Cultivate Next, its new $50 million venture fund to make early-stage investments in seed-to-Series-B companies aligned with its mission to Cultivate a Better World.

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CHIPOTLE ANNOUNCES $50 MILLION NEW VENTURE FUND, CULTIVATE NEXT
PR Newswire · 2022-04-19

Wire distribution of Chipotle's official press release announcing the $50 million Cultivate Next venture fund focused on restaurant tech, farming, supply chain, and automation.

[NEWS]

Chipotle launches $50M fund in bid to foster restaurant tech
TechCrunch · 2022-04-19

TechCrunch reports on Cultivate Next's $50 million launch, noting CTO Curt Garner's vision to position Chipotle as tech-forward by investing in seed-to-Series-B restaurant and food innovation startups.

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Chipotle launches $50M venture fund to access emerging tech
Restaurant Dive · 2022-04-19

Restaurant Dive covers the Cultivate Next launch, noting the fund will be solely financed by Chipotle and focus on companies that can accelerate the chain's strategic priorities including technology, supply chain, and Food With Integrity.

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Chipotle launches $50M venture fund to invest in strategically aligned companies
Nation's Restaurant News · 2022-04-19

NRN reports on the Cultivate Next launch, describing the fund's focus on seed-to-Series-B ventures and Chipotle's aggressive 7,000-restaurant growth target as context for the investment.

[LINKEDIN]

Chipotle launches $50M fund in bid to foster restaurant tech — LinkedIn post by Chipotle
LinkedIn (Chipotle Mexican Grill) · 2022-04-19

Chipotle's official LinkedIn page announces the formation of Cultivate Next and quotes CTO Curt Garner on the fund's goal to increase guest access and elevate employee experience.

Opportunity Signals

Market signals, policy shifts, and collaborative intelligence relevant to the Cultivate Next portfolio and Chipotle. Updated November 17, 2026.

POLICY & REGULATION

[RISK] News

Bayer increases sales and EBITDA before special items in the third quarter, improves full-year outlook
Bayer · 2026-11-03

Bayer reported Crop Science Q3 sales down 2.4% after currency and portfolio adjustment, citing regulatory impacts and adverse weather in EMEA and Asia-Pacific, partly offset by Latin American seed demand. This is an incumbent-market risk read-through relevant to Nitricity's ferti...

Portfolio: Nitricity · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

NRCS Offers Additional Practices for California Farmers Participating in the Regenerative Pilot Program
USDA NRCS · 2026-10-27

NRCS added five practices to California FY2027 regenerative-pilot eligibility, including soil-carbon amendments and microirrigation, with a November 6 cutoff for current-year funding. This expands a public cost-share route for practices adjacent to IMIO's biologicals and Nitricit...

Portfolio: IMIO · Nitricity

[WATCH] News

Ultraprocessed Food Labels Could Cost Industry $14B a Year
Food Dive · 2026-10-27

A University of Chicago study estimates that a hypothetical mandatory ultra-processed-food front-of-package label could cost the industry $14 billion annually, including $9.5 billion in reformulation and $4.5 billion in higher ingredient costs; it models a scenario, not an enacte...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

USDA Invests Over $325 million in 42 Projects to Boost Farm Operations and Conserve Natural Resources
USDA · 2026-10-26

USDA’s $325 million RCPP allocation for 42 projects prioritizes soil, water and habitat outcomes; the agency says 75% of this year’s RCPP funding will go directly to growers or cover conservation-practice implementation. Precision-ag technologies are among the ranking priorities,...

Portfolio: Nitricity · IMIO · Greenfield Robotics · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

USDA Announces $65 Million in Innovative Projects that Help Farmers Improve their Operations and Conserve Natural Resources
USDA NRCS · 2026-10-23

USDA selected 34 Conservation Innovation Grant projects totaling $65 million, including work on soil-microbiome assessment, biofertilizers, nitrogen decision tools, and precision irrigation. These awards validate applied-trial pathways relevant to IMIO, Nitricity, and Benchmark L...

Portfolio: IMIO · Nitricity · Benchmark Labs

[WATCH] Policy Shift

FDA Advances Closer to Zero Initiative to Safeguard Food for Children
FDA · 2026-10-22

FDA issued draft chemical-hazard guidance for human-food manufacturers that discusses risk evaluation and supply-chain controls, potentially raising the value of traceability and food-safety systems such as Lumachain. The guidance and cadmium action levels remain draft or propose...

Portfolio: Lumachain

[RISK] Funding Environment

Trump Administration Announces Major Investment in American Fertilizer Manufacturing to Strengthen National Security and Support Farmers
USDA · 2026-10-22

USDA selected eight fertilizer projects backed by about $573 million in proposed federal funding, including modular-ammonia and organic/byproduct-fertilizer expansions. The subsidized capacity buildout may intensify competition for Nitricity; USDA's modeled price effects are pros...

Portfolio: Nitricity

[WATCH] Policy Shift

Commission proposes more flexibility for liquid digestates
European Commission · 2026-10-19

The Commission's draft amendment would let Member States authorize qualifying liquid digestates from manure as alternatives to chemical fertilizers, subject to composition and environmental safeguards. This signals policy acceptance of circular nutrient inputs for Nitricity's nit...

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[WATCH] Policy Shift

Updates to USDA Regenerative Ag Pilot Program
USDA · 2026-10-13

USDA says NRCS's regenerative-ag pilot was recently updated for FY2026 with increased financial and technical assistance, a potential public-support tailwind for growers transitioning regenerative practices. This is an adjacent signal for Greenfield Robotics' field automation, bu...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[WATCH] Funding Environment

Brits to benefit from faster recovery from surgeries and better harvests through new backing for robotics
UK Government · 2026-10-09

The UK's £40 million Robotics Adoption Hubs include HARVEST, which will provide agri-food testbeds, demonstrations, advice, and help with technical, commercial, regulatory, and workforce barriers. This public adoption infrastructure may create useful validation and deployment pat...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

USDA Announces $180 Million Seed Sovereignty Initiative to Strengthen U.S. Agricultural Security
USDA · 2026-10-06

USDA plans to invest $180 million over two years in characterizing and sequencing National Plant Germplasm System collections, identifying useful traits and gaps, and accelerating crop innovation. The initiative could strengthen the innovation and resilience ecosystem around U.S....

Portfolio: Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Regulatory Win

Switch Bioworks Secures Brazil Approval, Strengthening Its Global Position in Engineered Agricultural Microbes

PR Newswire · 2026-09-30

Brazil's CTNBio approval clears Switch Bioworks to move toward field trials of engineered nitrogen-fixing microbes, validating a regulatory path for biological fertilizers in a major agricultural market. The development is adjacent to Cultivate Next's low-input agriculture thesis...

Portfolio: IMIO · Nitricity · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

USDA Increases Investment in Regenerative Pilot Program to Lower Farmer Production Costs and Advance MAHA Agenda

USDA · 2026-09-29

USDA raised fiscal-year 2027 assistance for its Regenerative Pilot Program from $700 million to $1 billion, widening support for whole-farm conservation and regenerative practices. The larger funding pool and lower entry barriers could accelerate farmer adoption relevant to Nitri...

Portfolio: Nitricity · Greenfield Robotics

[WATCH] Regulatory Win

Governor Newsom signs legislation creating non-UPF label, other health bills advancing California's nation-leading healthcare strategy

Governor of California · 2026-09-28

California's signed legislation establishes a voluntary non-ultra-processed-food label and certification pathway, reinforcing demand for verifiable ingredient and processing attributes. This is a policy tailwind for transparent, minimally processed ingredients and product platfor...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Canada invests up to $1.98M in biodegradable controlled-release fertilizer coating

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada · 2026-09-16

Canada's Agricultural Clean Technology investment in Lucent BioSciences supports a biodegradable coating for controlled-release nitrogen fertilizer that aims to reduce microplastics, nutrient losses, emissions, and farmer costs. The public funding validates a broader market for c...

Portfolio: Nitricity

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

Research strategy backs fermentation scale-up but taste and price hurdles remain

GFI Europe · 2026-09-14

The European Commission's food-research strategy supports fermentation capacity, biotech ingredient awareness, and regulatory sandboxes while acknowledging the financing gap between pilots and industrial scale. This validates Cultivate Next's focus on enabling infrastructure and ...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[WATCH] News

New Protein Watch: Dairy-free ice cream, China plans and EU meaty ban

FoodNavigator · 2026-09-11

The roundup points to three simultaneous market forces: plant-fat products expanding beyond early adopter markets, China placing alternative proteins inside a food-security strategy, and EU proposals that could restrict meat-related names for meat-free products. Portfolio compani...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[WATCH] Policy Shift

California Lawmakers Pass Bill to Create Landmark ‘Non-Ultra-Processed’ Food Label
Perishable News · 2026-09-10

California’s AB 2244 would establish a state-verified ‘Non-Ultraprocessed Certified’ label with third-party certification and recurring recertification. The proposal could accelerate demand for clean-label formulation, ingredient traceability, and defensible product claims releva...

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[WATCH] Policy Shift

European Commission advances carbon-removals and carbon-farming Buyers Club
European Commission · 2026-09-10

The European Commission’s DG Climate Action convened a September 10 webinar on the voluntary CRCF Buyers Club, a platform intended to connect carbon-removal and carbon-farming buyers with suppliers while EU ETS and wider policy developments take shape. This is an early market-for...

Portfolio: Athian · CH4 Global

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

Denmark Passes Landmark Nitrogen Law Overhauling Farm Fertiliser Rules
Global Agriculture · 2026-09-09

Denmark’s new framework, effective January 2027, shifts farm nitrogen policy from field-by-field limits toward measured emissions reaching waterways and adds adaptive incentives for land conversion and forest cover. That is a useful policy precedent for portfolio companies sellin...

Portfolio: Nitricity · Benchmark Labs · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

IRS Releases 45Z Guidance, Rewarding Regenerative Agriculture, Manure-Based Fuels
DTN · 2026-09-09

New IRS guidance for the 45Z Clean Fuels Production credit gives clearer economic treatment to regenerative practices, manure-based fuels, feedstock rules, and carbon-score documentation. That improves the policy backdrop for low-emissions fertilizer, livestock methane reduction,...

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[WATCH] Policy Shift

Beijing Expands Funding Tools to Support Food Security and Rural Modernization
Reuters · 2026-09-07

China’s plan to prioritize agriculture in budgets and expand credit, insurance, bonds, and private capital for rural infrastructure and agricultural technology shows governments broadening the financing stack for food-system modernization. The direction is a useful global benchma...

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[WATCH] Policy Shift

President Trump Signs Executive Orders, Cementing Status As Most Pro-Rancher Administration in History
USDA · 2026-09-04

USDA’s rancher actions include reviewing beef country-of-origin labeling, increasing Packers and Stockyards Act enforcement, expanding processing access, and improving market transparency. These shifts could create demand for livestock traceability, supply-chain data, and verifie...

Portfolio: Athian · Lumachain · Local Line

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

EU CBAM fertiliser importers face new embedded-emissions compliance requirements
CBAM Journal · 2026-09-02

The EU's definitive Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism now requires fertiliser importers above the 50-tonne threshold to prepare embedded-emissions data and certificate surrender for 2026 imports, with sector-specific fertiliser guidance issued in August. The shift increases the ...

Portfolio: Nitricity

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

USDA unveils Data Modernization Plan to put farmers first
Biomass Magazine · 2026-09-02

USDA's new data modernization plan is designed to reduce reporting burdens, break down agency data silos, and improve the timeliness and usefulness of agricultural information. Better interoperability and farmer-centered data flows could expand the market for Local Line, Benchmar...

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California passes non-UPF food certification bill
FoodNavigator · 2026-09-01

California lawmakers unanimously approved AB 2244, a voluntary state-backed "Non-Ultraprocessed Certified" seal that would be administered through accredited third parties if signed by the governor. The bill could make reformulation, ingredient transparency, and substantiated cle...

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[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

UK opens £13m competition to move farming research into commercial tools
GOV.UK / DEFRA · 2026-09-01

The UK's Farming Innovation Programme opened a £13 million competition to move lab research into practical farm tools, including livestock vaccines, pest-control technology, and yield-boosting innovations. The grant pipeline is a policy signal that governments are trying to accel...

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[WATCH] Thought Leadership

COAG demands to review the Nitrates Directive
Democrata · 2026-08-31

Spanish farm organization COAG is pressing the EU to modernize nitrate rules so verified manure treatment, precision agriculture, digestate recovery, and nutrient monitoring can support higher application limits. The proposal underscores a policy opening for portfolio technologie...

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[WATCH] Policy Shift

Trump vows legal order to break up 'nasty monopoly' in food processing
Reuters · 2026-08-28

The administration signaled that it is preparing legal documents to let farmers and ranchers process their own food, targeting concentration in meat processing. The announcement is not yet an implemented rule, but it creates a watchpoint for Cultivate Next investments that improv...

Portfolio: Athian · CH4 Global

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Canada renews CAAIN with $50 million to advance agri-food automation and intelligence
Government of Canada · 2026-08-26

The Government of Canada committed $50 million to renew the Canadian Agri-Food Automation and Intelligence Network, extending public support for applied agtech R&D, commercialization, and food-system resilience. The funding expands the partnership and non-dilutive-capital lan...

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[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

South Korea develops its first clean-label processed-food standard
Money Today · 2026-08-20

South Korea's first clean-label processed-food standard formalizes definitions, ingredient rules, manufacturing controls, testing methods, and labeling criteria across major food categories. The move signals that clean-label claims are becoming more measurable and governed, creat...

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[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

Technical Guidelines for the Production of Regenerative Agricultural Biofuel Feedstocks
USDA · 2026-08-19

USDA implementation guidance turns regenerative feedstock claims into a more measurable market, including carbon-intensity calculation and verification requirements. This creates an opening for portfolio companies working across low-carbon inputs, farm operations, monitoring, and...

Portfolio: Nitricity · Greenfield Robotics · Athian · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

USDA Launches New Regenerative Pilot Program to Lower Farmer Production Costs and Advance MAHA Agenda
Natural Resources Conservation Service · 2026-08-18

USDA announced a $700 million Regenerative Pilot Program to help farmers adopt practices that improve soil health, water quality, and long-term productivity while lowering production costs. The scale and cost-reduction framing expand the addressable market for outcome measurement...

Portfolio: IMIO · Greenfield Robotics · Athian · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

California drew the line on regenerative agriculture. Farmers are making sense of it
KPBS · 2026-08-11

California's statewide, outcome-based definition of regenerative agriculture is designed to align state policy and grant programs around eight soil-health and resilience outcomes without prescribing a single set of practices. A common policy language can lower friction for portfo...

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[WATCH] Policy Shift

FDA Finalizes Guidance for Ready-to-Eat Fresh-Cut Produce Operations under Preventive Controls for Human Food Rule
U.S. Food and Drug Administration · 2026-08-11

FDA's final guidance gives fresh-cut produce processors recommendations for controlling biological hazards under FSMA preventive-controls requirements, replacing the agency's 2008 guidance. The update reinforces the market for technology that supports lot-level food-safety record...

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[WATCH] Policy Shift

Fact Sheet: HHS Announces Proposed GRAS Rule
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services · 2026-08-10

HHS and FDA proposed mandatory notification for new Generally Recognized as Safe conclusions, expanding the public inventory and post-market visibility for substances added to food. The proposal raises the value of transparent safety dossiers and regulatory readiness for novel in...

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[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

Tamil Nadu Agriculture Budget Launches Carbon Credit Scheme for Farmers
ABP Live / PTI · 2026-08-06

Tamil Nadu's 2026-27 agriculture budget introduces a farmer carbon-trading scheme, with demonstration projects and monitoring protocols for direct-seeded rice and alternate wetting and drying. The policy is another proof point that measurement, verification, and farmer payment in...

Portfolio: Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Regulatory Win

Aleph Farms Secures Singapore Approval for Cultivated Beef Steak
FoodBev · 2026-08-05

Singapore Food Agency approval for Aleph Farms' cultivated Thin-Cut Steak is the company's second regulatory clearance and only the second worldwide for cultivated beef. The precedent lowers some regulatory uncertainty around next-generation proteins and supports continued dilige...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[WATCH] Policy Shift

Food Security Is Fertilizer Security
Prosperous America · 2026-08-03

The article highlights S. 4418, the Lowering Input Costs for American Farmers Act, which would remove tariffs and countervailing duties on selected phosphate fertilizer imports. Although the bill remains only an introduced proposal, the debate signals continued policy pressure to...

Portfolio: Nitricity

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Robot revolution hits the fields as £20 million funding announced
Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs / Innovate UK · 2026-08-03

The UK opened £20 million in collaborative funding for farm robots and automated systems spanning planting, crop care, harvest, livestock, and horticulture. The public commitment validates a widening financing and pilot market for labor-saving, lower-chemical agricultural automat...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

USDA's 2026 Unified Agenda Includes Biobased Product and Biotechnology Rulemakings
National Law Review · 2026-08-03

USDA's 2026 agenda pairs an effective regenerative-feedstock carbon-intensity rule with loan guarantees of up to $250 million for advanced biofuel, renewable chemical, and biobased-product facilities, while also signaling potential biotechnology regulatory efficiencies. That comb...

Portfolio: Nitricity · Plantible Foods · Clean Crop Technologies

[RISK] Policy Shift

Australia to cap soil carbon crediting due to integrity
Argus Media · 2026-07-29

Australia's proposed cap on soil-carbon crediting responds to over-crediting concerns and would tighten measurement expectations for project developers. The move is a risk signal for Athian and other agricultural carbon platforms, but also reinforces the value of conservative MRV...

Portfolio: Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

EU unveils support for farmers hit by fertilizer costs
BC Insight · 2026-07-29

The EU regulation combines near-term liquidity support with incentives for efficient nutrient management and bio-based, low-carbon, and circular fertilizers. That policy mix can accelerate farmer interest in Nitricity's lower-carbon nitrogen pathway while making fertilizer econom...

Portfolio: Nitricity

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

USDA Press Releases (Regenerative agriculture EO; FIELDS fertilizer program)
USDA · 2026-07-29

Federal action around regenerative agriculture plus a $500M fertilizer investment program is a tailwind for portfolio approaches that cut synthetic nitrogen intensity or improve fertilizer supply resiliency.

Portfolio: Nitricity · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

Section 45Z Update: GREET Model and USDA Feedstock Guidance
Trinity Consultants · 2026-07-28

USDA finalized regenerative feedstock guidance tied to the 45Z clean fuel production credit, clarifying how farm-practice CI reductions can be documented and rewarded—an important demand signal for measurement/verification and low-CI input pathways.

Portfolio: Athian · Nitricity

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

USDA Unveils 45Z Carbon Intensity Rule, Opening New Path For Carbon Capture In Ethanol
Carbon Herald · 2026-07-27

USDA’s voluntary Regenerative Feedstock Rule plus a carbon-intensity calculator makes verified on-farm emissions accounting more central to biofuel value capture, creating demand for measurement, traceability, and input-efficiency solutions across row-crop supply chains.

Portfolio: Nitricity · Local Line · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Regulatory Win

First new mycoprotein approved in EU amid concerns over slow regulatory timelines
Affidia the Journal · 2026-07-26

EU novel-food clearance for biomass-fermentation mycoprotein suggests improving regulatory pathways for fermentation-derived ingredients, expanding future TAM and exit optionality for ingredient-focused portcos.

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[WATCH] Policy Shift

FSMA Final Rule on Requirements for Additional Traceability Records
U.S. Food & Drug Administration · 2026-07-24

FDA guidance describes the electronic KDE and CTE records required for foods on the Food Traceability List and says records must be producible within 24 hours, while also noting that Congress directed FDA not to enforce the rule before July 20, 2028. The extension provides implem...

Portfolio: Local Line · Lumachain · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

Commission adopts certification methodologies for carbon farming under the CRCF Regulation
European Commission (DG Climate Action) · 2026-07-10

The EU adopting CRCF carbon farming certification methodologies (mineral soils, peatland rewetting, afforestation) is a de-risking signal for Europe-facing carbon farming/MRV business models. It can expand demand for measurement, verification, and farmer support tools that CN-ali...

Portfolio: Athian

[WATCH] Policy Shift

[PDF] 1 GUIDANCE DOCUMENT 09/17/2025 Nitrogen Reduction ...
www.tribasinnrd.org · 2026-06-28

Signals direction of adoption/regulation that could accelerate pilots, procurement, or commercial traction for Cultivate Next portfolio companies.

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[PDF] FY2026 Farmer First Regenerative Pilot Program Frequently Asked ...
www.nrcs.usda.gov · 2026-06-28

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[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

ADVANCING REGENERATIVE AGRICULTURE AND STRENGTHENING AMERICAN FARM RESILIENCE
The White House · 2026-06-25

Federal emphasis on precision ag, regenerative practice expansion, and public-private partnerships can increase demand for scalable farm modernization tools and lower-carbon input systems across the Cultivate Next thesis.

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics · Nitricity

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

President Trump Signs Executive Order Advancing Regenerative Agriculture; Secretary Rollins Announces USDA Rule to Unlock Billions for American Farmers
USDA · 2026-06-25

A new USDA final rule and accompanying executive order create clearer market pathways for monetizing regenerative practices via biofuel supply chains, which can accelerate adoption of measurement/verification and low-carbon input solutions relevant to Cultivate Next investments.

Portfolio: Nitricity · Greenfield Robotics · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

Trump signs agriculture-related executive orders, White House says
Reuters · 2026-06-25

Portfolio: Nitricity · Greenfield Robotics · CH4 Global · Athian

[WATCH] Thought Leadership

Clear and mandatory alternative protein labeling (proposal for federal standard)
The Regulatory Review · 2026-06-10

A credible push for a single federal labeling standard (including precision fermentation) would reduce state-by-state compliance risk and could accelerate commercialization for fermentation-derived ingredients and products.

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · CH4 Global

[RISK] Policy Shift

CH4 Global shifts seaweed methane-inhibitor production from New Zealand to Australia amid regulatory barriers
Farmers Weekly (NZ) · 2026-06-04

Shows how country-by-country product classification (feed additive vs veterinary medicine) can materially affect deployment speed and unit economics for methane-reduction products, shaping go-to-market prioritization.

Portfolio: CH4 Global

[WATCH] Policy Shift

USDA Issues New Payment Limitation and Eligibility Rules
Center for Agricultural Law and Taxation (Iowa State University) · 2026-06-04

Clarified USDA payment eligibility and entity rules for crop year 2026 can change which farm entities qualify for support programs, affecting adoption budgets and procurement behavior—useful context for portcos selling into farm operations and regional supply chains.

Portfolio: Local Line

[WATCH] Policy Shift

USDA Expands Payment Limitation and Payment Eligibility Provisions for Farmers
USDA Farm Service Agency · 2026-06-03

Changes to eligibility and payment limits can shift growers' cashflow and adoption capacity for climate-smart inputs and on-farm tech, affecting demand timing for Cultivate Next portfolio solutions.

Portfolio: Local Line · Nitricity · Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

USDA Launches New Regenerative Agriculture Pilot Program, Dedicating $1 Billion for Practices
Washington Association of Wheat Growers · 2026-05-31

A USDA/NRCS whole-farm regenerative pilot with a single bundled application increases addressable demand for measurement, verification, and input-reduction tech that helps producers qualify and document outcomes.

Portfolio: Nitricity · Athian · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

House farm bill proposal would modestly increase RCPP funding and cover up to 10% of partner administrative costs
OSU Applied Economics Outreach Blog · 2026-05-29

Potentially improved funding mechanics for conservation partnerships (RCPP) and precision-ag emphasis could expand channels for measurement, implementation, and verification providers—tailwinds for agtech + MRV-aligned portfolio activity.

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

USDA announces enrollment period and payment rates for Assistance for Specialty Crops Farmers (ASCF) program
USDA · 2026-05-29

A $1.625B USDA payment program to specialty crop producers can meaningfully shift near-term grower economics and adoption appetite for input-efficiency and traceability solutions that portfolio companies could enable (e.g., measurement, supply-chain data, on-farm tech).

Portfolio: Local Line

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

USDA launches regenerative agriculture pilot program via NRCS EQIP/CSP
Crops & Soils (ASA/CSSA/SSSA) · 2026-05-29

A large USDA-backed pilot can accelerate adoption of soil-health practices and measurement, creating pull for enabling tech (MRV, soil testing, input alternatives, regenerative supply-chain platforms) across the fund's thesis areas.

Portfolio: Athian · Local Line · Nitricity · Greenfield Robotics · SIMPLi

[WATCH] Policy Shift

USDA to notify landowners of expanded base acre eligibility
Texas Farm Bureau · 2026-05-28

Expanded ARC/PLC base acre eligibility can shift producer risk economics and participation in federal programs, affecting willingness to adopt new practices and technologies that change crop rotations or reporting.

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

Thanks to Working Families Tax Cuts Act, USDA Invests $65 Million for Projects that Help Farmers Improve their Operations and Conserve Natural Resources through Science and Innovation
USDA NRCS · 2026-05-27

USDA NRCS' $65M Conservation Innovation Grants availability is a near-term funding tailwind for pilots and field deployments of conservation tech—creating partnership and non-dilutive capital pathways for Cultivate Next theses in measurement, regenerative practice enablement, and...

Portfolio: Nitricity · IMIO · Greenfield Robotics · Benchmark Labs

[WATCH] Regulatory Win

The Clean Fuel Production Tax Credit (45Z) - introductory discussion
farmdoc daily (University of Illinois) · 2026-05-27

45Z ties biofuel tax credit value to carbon intensity, strengthening downstream incentives for low-emissions farming practices and enabling new demand for measurement and low-N inputs.

Portfolio: Nitricity

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

BASF and Arva announce strategic collaboration to deliver a pathway for farmers and biofuel producers to benefit from the 45Z biofuel tax credit
BASF (press release) · 2026-05-26

Section 45Z implementation is pulling agronomic practice data into monetizable incentives, expanding the market for on-farm measurement, verification, and low-input solutions that portfolio companies can enable (e.g., nutrient optimization and traceability).

Portfolio: Nitricity · Local Line · Lumachain · Athian

[RISK] Policy Shift

New York Leads in Controlling Heat-Trapping Methane. That Could Change.
The New York Times · 2026-05-26

If New York shifts methane accounting from a 20-year to a 100-year framework, livestock methane's apparent impact (and urgency) could be diluted in regulatory and corporate accounting—potentially weakening demand signals and incentive design for near-term methane abatement soluti...

Portfolio: CH4 Global · Athian

[WATCH] Policy Shift

USDA announces base acre increase opportunity for ARC/PLC programs (first opportunity since 2002)
USDA Farm Service Agency · 2026-05-26

Large-scale adjustments to commodity program mechanics can change growers' risk posture and cashflow, influencing willingness to adopt new practices and technologies; it also signals policy attention to updating how modern production realities are reflected in support programs.

Portfolio: Local Line · Nitricity

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

As fertiliser shortages worsen, is it time to rethink how we make it?
ABC News (Australia) · 2026-05-21

Mainstream coverage highlighting renewables-powered nitrogen fertilizer pathways and mentioning Nitricity as a scaling player reinforces policy-driven urgency around fertilizer resilience and expands narrative surface area for Nitricity and adjacent low-emissions nitrogen theses.

Portfolio: Nitricity

[WATCH] Policy Shift

Agriculture Secretary Touts New Fertilizer Projects
Western Ag Network · 2026-05-20

USDA and related agencies highlighting accelerated permitting and restarted fertilizer production expansion projects strengthens the near-term policy tailwind around domestic nitrogen capacity and procurement narratives, creating both competitive pressure and partnership openings...

Portfolio: Nitricity

[WATCH] Policy Shift

Inside the Trump Administration's Plan to Boost US Fertilizer Production
Hoosier Ag Today · 2026-05-20

A US push to accelerate domestic fertilizer capacity via revived grant programs, expedited permitting, and regulatory rollbacks signals sustained federal focus on nitrogen-input supply and costs—reshaping the competitive backdrop and procurement narratives for fertilizer innovati...

Portfolio: Nitricity

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

Europe's plan to boost fertiliser supply and food security
European Commission · 2026-05-19

The EU's Fertiliser Action Plan explicitly backs organic/bio-based fertiliser alternatives, decarbonised fertiliser production, and improved nutrient management—validating policy-driven demand for lower-emissions nitrogen pathways and nutrient-efficiency solutions adjacent to Nit...

Portfolio: Nitricity

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

US fertilizer strategy reframes fertilizer as national security priority; aims to fast-track domestic production
AgWeb · 2026-05-19

Policy attention and capital support for domestic fertilizer (including ammonia) production can reshape incentives and timelines for low-carbon nitrogen solutions and on-farm nutrient efficiency—tailwinds for Nitricity's decarbonized fertilizer pathway.

Portfolio: Nitricity

[WATCH] Policy Shift

USDA seeks input on future biotechnology regulation as agricultural biologicals policy evolves
National Law Review · 2026-05-19

USDA's RFI on future GE regulation under the Plant Protection Act (with comments due June 15) signals potential re-shaping of the regulatory pathway for biotech and biological inputs; clearer, risk-proportionate oversight could reduce commercialization friction for microbial/biol...

Portfolio: IMIO · Clean Crop Technologies

[WATCH] Policy Shift

Agrifood policy highlights | May 2026
FAO · 2026-05-18

FAO's compilation of fertilizer policy actions (export restrictions, subsidies, and incentives for domestic production) reinforces that fertilizer availability and cost are a persistent global policy priority. That sustains demand for alternative nitrogen production and efficienc...

Portfolio: Nitricity

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

Senate fertilizer hearing: Farmers 'can't take much more'
AgFunderNews · 2026-05-13

A US Senate Ag Committee hearing elevating fertilizer price volatility, market concentration, and proposed transparency/biostimulant bills signals increasing policy attention on nitrogen market structure and faster pathways for input innovation—strengthening the narrative and pot...

Portfolio: Nitricity

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

FDA finalizes food chemical post-market assessment program; launches reassessment of BHT and ADA
U.S. FDA · 2026-05-12

A more proactive FDA post-market review framework increases regulatory and reputational pressure on additives and processing aids, accelerating demand for clean-label reformulation and ingredient transparency—tailwinds for portfolio theses around alternative oils (Zero Acre Farms...

Portfolio: Zero Acre Farms · Plantible Foods · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

Fertilizer Relief: USDA unveils initiative to lower fertilizer prices
Wyoming Livestock Roundup · 2026-05-08

USDA's multi-agency fertilizer initiative (import flexibility, permitting acceleration, domestic capacity targets, and market-concentration scrutiny) strengthens the policy tailwind for lower-emissions and domestic nitrogen pathways, improving the narrative and potential demand e...

Portfolio: Nitricity

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

NRCS and Organic Producers: What EQIP, CSP, and the Regenerative Pilot Program can do for your farm

Organic Farming Research Foundation · 2026-05-05

A fresh explainer aimed at organic producers signals that USDA's EQIP/CSP and the FY2026 Regenerative Pilot Program are actively being operationalized and messaged to growers, which supports near-term adoption of incentive-backed regenerative practices that can pull through input...

Portfolio: Nitricity · IMIO · Greenfield Robotics · Benchmark Labs

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[WATCH] Funding Environment

Queensland invests A$2.8M to commercialize Provectus Algae's methane feed

Queensland Government · 2026-11-13

The Queensland Government announced a new A$2.8M investment from its Sowing the Seeds of Farming Innovation Fund for Provectus Algae's Surf'N'Turf, bringing total state support to A$3.8M. The funding will expand trials and manufacturing toward commercial supply; the release cites...

Portfolio: CH4 Global

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Methane-reducing supplement made in Noosa commercialised for cattle industry

ABC News Australia · 2026-11-13

ABC News reports that Provectus Algae is commercializing Surf'N'Turf after pilot trials involving more than 3,000 cattle; the company claims roughly 65% methane reduction at about 8 cents per animal per day. The article adds expert caveats on delivery across extensive grazing and...

Portfolio: CH4 Global · Athian

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Bayer Bets on Editing Grains' DNA to Curb Fertilizer Use

Bloomberg · 2026-10-29

Bloomberg reports that Bayer obtained a commercial license from UC Davis for gene-edited grains designed to promote relationships between crop roots and nitrogen-fixing soil bacteria. This is a long-horizon alternative or complement to Nitricity's biological nitrogen approach; no...

Portfolio: Nitricity

[WATCH] Funding Environment

Terradot and HASI Close $34M Investment for Carbon Removal Projects

Terradot · 2026-10-27

HASI's $34M debt financing for Terradot's enhanced-rock-weathering carbon-removal projects, backed by fixed-price offtake agreements with Frontier, is a concrete project-finance precedent in agriculture-adjacent carbon removal. It is relevant context for Athian and Nitricity, not...

Portfolio: Athian · Nitricity

[WATCH] Thought Leadership

Carbon credits, sustainable farming can boost Indian rice farmers' incomes: Industry experts
The Tribune (ANI) · 2026-10-24

The current rice-sector panel describes how verified carbon credits and water-saving practices may improve grower economics, while underscoring measurement and integrity risks. It is an adjacent design read-through for Athian's carbon-program work, not a reported portfolio partne...

Portfolio: Athian

[WATCH] Thought Leadership

Three Soil Health Tips from Nitricity Agronomist Tiziano Celli
CCOF · 2026-10-20

A Nitricity agronomist's guidance on soil structure, nutrient management, and site-specific fertility gives the company a credible grower-education channel for its soil-health-oriented fertilizer work. This is a market-facing proof point, not a commercial win or partnership annou...

Portfolio: Nitricity

[WATCH] Research Breakthrough

Homegrown solutions can reduce EU's dependence on imported fertilisers
European Commission Joint Research Centre · 2026-10-16

The JRC study finds selected processed liquid digestates can partially replace mineral fertilizer while maintaining productivity, if ammonia emissions, nitrate leaching, contaminants, and phosphorus limits are controlled. It supplies scientific support for circular nutrient marke...

Portfolio: Nitricity

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

OlsAro raises €5m seed round as salt-tolerant wheat nears market
AgFunderNews · 2026-10-14

OlsAro raised €5 million to fund field trials and commercial work on salt-resilient wheat, with additional programs in drought tolerance and nitrogen-use efficiency. This is an adjacent signal of investor support for climate-resilient crop genetics; Benchmark Labs' climate intell...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

CarbonFarm raises €7M to tackle methane emissions from rice cultivation
Tech.eu · 2026-10-13

CarbonFarm's €7m Series A backs field-level rice methane measurement and decarbonization using satellite imagery, field data and emissions models. Its crop-specific MRV and climate-finance approach is adjacent to Athian's agricultural emissions-market infrastructure and may offer...

Portfolio: Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Carbon credits germinating into a lucrative harvest for farmers
Business Times · 2026-10-10

South Africa's AgriCarbon programme has enrolled about 200,000 hectares and reported 39,207 tonnes of soil CO_2 sequestered, illustrating how verified carbon revenue can support regenerative farm economics. The report also highlights slow crediting and measurement costs, an adjace...

Portfolio: Athian

[WATCH] Funding Environment

€25 million invested in regenerative farmland fund
FreshPlaza · 2026-10-08

Coöperatie VGZ committed an initial €25 million to Van Lanschot Kempen's farmland fund, which reports more than €500 million in commitments and investments across regenerative farming systems. This is a capital-allocation signal that could expand demand for traceability and susta...

Portfolio: SIMPLi

[WATCH] Collaborative Move

Oterra teams with HowGood to track sustainability of natural colors
Food Dive · 2026-10-08

Oterra and HowGood are collaborating to provide carbon footprints for selected natural-color products, extending ingredient-level emissions data in the food supply chain. That is a reporting and customer-expectations benchmark for sustainable ingredient suppliers such as Plantibl...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

South Pole & Gaïago unlock Gold Standard soil credits
South Pole · 2026-10-06

South Pole, Gaïago, and Gold Standard announced the first issued credits under Gold Standard's Soil Organic Carbon Framework Methodology, initially covering 6,000 verified hectares in France and Belgium. This is a useful benchmark for Athian and the fund's climate portfolio on ho...

Portfolio: Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Brightly Announces First Verra Issuance of Carbon Credits for Rescued Food
Feeding America · 2026-09-30

Brightly's first Verra issuance for rescued-food emissions—721,649 credits, independently validated and verified—creates a new earned-revenue model for food rescue organizations. Athian is the closest portfolio analogue in verified food-system carbon outcomes, although this is a ...

Portfolio: Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

ArkeaBio raises $15 million to advance livestock methane vaccine toward commercialization
AgFunderNews · 2026-09-30

ArkeaBio's $15 million Series A2, led by AgriZeroNZ with Breakthrough Energy participation, validates investor appetite for livestock-methane mitigation and provides a technology benchmark for CH4 Global's seaweed-based approach. ArkeaBio also cut roughly one-third of its staff a...

Portfolio: CH4 Global

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Investors back Cotierra's bid to scale biochar across tropical agriculture
AgNavigator · 2026-09-30

Cotierra raised $3 million to scale decentralized biochar systems that turn coffee-processing residues into soil amendments, with expansion planned into cocoa, cotton and citrus; the round was co-led by PINC, Paulig's venture arm, and Carbon Removal Partners. The food-supply-chai...

Portfolio: Nitricity · Athian

[RISK] Thought Leadership

‘From a garnish to a side dish’: Saline agriculture searches for scale
AgTechNavigator · 2026-09-28

A Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam study based on 15 market interviews finds that saline-agriculture scale-up is constrained by weak demand, fragmented value chains, and difficult business models more than by technical readiness. The findings are a diligence warning for climate-resil...

[WATCH] Thought Leadership

Nitrogen-centered nutrient innovation for decoupling agricultural productivity from greenhouse-gas intensity: evidence, limits, and implementation pathways
Frontiers in Sustainable Food Systems · 2026-09-28

This evidence review compares fertilizer-efficiency, biological nitrogen fixation, precision nutrient management, and nitrogen-recovery approaches using productivity, emissions evidence, and implementation readiness. Its emphasis on outcome-based incentives supports the market ca...

Portfolio: Nitricity

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Agoro Carbon Issues First Soil Carbon Credits Under Microsoft Agreement
Carbon Herald · 2026-09-24

Agoro Carbon issued its first verified soil-carbon credits under a 12-year, 2.6 million-credit Microsoft agreement, covering 2.5 million acres, more than 600 producers, and over $30 million in transition prepayments. The scale, Verra validation, and producer-finance model provide...

Portfolio: Athian · SIMPLi

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Carbon farming: between real money and paper credits
Startupbusiness · 2026-09-23

The article maps a carbon-farming market that is moving toward larger contracts and EU certification while still facing thin liquidity, credit-integrity failures, and uncertainty over methodology approval. That combination is a useful market-structure signal for Athian and SIMPLi...

Portfolio: Athian · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Research Breakthrough

Syngenta unveils EXORT technology based on plant microRNAs for next-generation biologicals
Syngenta · 2026-09-22

Syngenta’s EXORT platform uses naturally occurring plant microRNAs to improve resource use and yields, with first products planned from 2027 across roughly 20 countries. A major crop-science company commercializing a new biologicals class validates the market for IMIO and Clean C...

Portfolio: IMIO · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Athian to Market Localized Dairy Carbon Credits through New Registry with Climate Action Reserve
Athian · 2026-09-21

Athian and Climate Action Reserve plan to incorporate Athian's alternative manure management practices protocol into an updated CAR Livestock Protocol. If implemented, the partnership would let verified dairy methane and nitrous-oxide reductions move beyond supply-chain insets in...

Portfolio: Athian

[RISK] News

A carbon-credit land rush is hollowing out New Zealand farm country
Reuters · 2026-09-21

Reuters' reporting on farmland conversion to carbon forests highlights a materiality and land-use risk for carbon markets: poorly balanced incentives can displace food production and erode community trust. This is a watchpoint for Athian and other portfolio companies building cre...

Portfolio: Athian · Benchmark Labs

[WATCH] Research Breakthrough

Brown seaweed supplementation in dairy and beef cattle: effects on methane mitigation, productivity, reproductive responses, and safety
Frontiers in Animal Science · 2026-09-21

A systematic review finds brown seaweed can reduce methane under selected conditions, but results vary substantially between laboratory and commercial cattle studies and iodine transfer raises safety questions. The evidence is a useful diligence checkpoint for CH4 Global and the ...

Portfolio: CH4 Global

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

ADM Plans Entry into Voluntary Carbon Market with Over 800,000 Tons of Annual Removal Capacity
Business Wire · 2026-09-21

ADM plans to commercialize carbon-removal credits from its Columbus, Nebraska corn complex, with more than 800,000 tons of annual capacity and initial issuance expected by year-end pending Puro.earth certification. The move validates large food-system buyers and producers enterin...

Portfolio: Athian · Nitricity · CH4 Global

[OPPORTUNITY] Research Breakthrough

The robot that hunts weeds with lasers, not chemicals
Moneycontrol · 2026-09-20

Huagong Technology's Hg LaserWeeder shows precision-application robotics moving from lab demonstrations toward multi-province deployment, with reported weed-removal rates above 95%. The market validation is relevant to Greenfield Robotics and other Cultivate Next companies workin...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Nitricity raises $50M Series B to scale low-emission organic nitrogen fertilizer
AK&M · 2026-09-18

Nitricity's $50 million Series B, planned Delhi, California plant, and reported production commitments through 2028 show that low-emission fertilizer is moving from pilot to contracted commercial scale. The round is a strong validation point for Cultivate Next's fertilizer thesis...

Portfolio: Nitricity

[WATCH] Research Breakthrough

Putting methane-reducing feed additives under the microscope
Teagasc · 2026-09-18

Teagasc is evaluating 3-NOP, red seaweed, and calcium peroxide under pasture-based conditions, addressing a key evidence gap between controlled feeding trials and real-world dairy systems. The work can strengthen the technical diligence and measurement case for CH4 Global and oth...

Portfolio: CH4 Global

[OPPORTUNITY] Regulatory Win

Centre to pay Rs 2.9 crore to 2,550 Punjab, Haryana farmers who earned carbon credits
The New Indian Express · 2026-09-17

India's first direct carbon-credit payments to 2,550 farmers under Grow Indigo's Aadi program show regenerative practices converting into verified farmer income at meaningful scale. The proof point is relevant to Athian and other Cultivate Next climate platforms because it demons...

Portfolio: Athian · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Over Rs 2.9 crore to be disbursed to 2,550 farmers as soil carbon payments: Govt
SocialNews.XYZ · 2026-09-17

India’s Grow Indigo programme is moving soil-carbon finance from pilots to direct farmer payments, with independently verified credits and digital disbursement. The model reinforces demand for measurement, verification, and farmer-engagement infrastructure relevant to Athian, Ben...

Portfolio: Athian · Benchmark Labs · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Google agrees biggest carbon-removal deal yet, aims to scale new model
Reuters · 2026-09-16

Google’s agreement with Terradot covers more than 200,000 hectares in Brazil and targets 1 million metric tons of methane-abatement credits by 2030 alongside carbon removal. The scale and combined methane/carbon model validate demand for credible agricultural measurement and cred...

Portfolio: Athian · CH4 Global · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Regulatory Win

Project developers can now sign up for Verra's Scope 3 registry
Trellis · 2026-09-15

Verra’s new registry for Scope 3 Units creates a more formal pathway for supply-chain decarbonization projects to issue environmental attribute certificates. The agricultural-land methodologies and planned 2027 issuance are relevant market infrastructure for Athian and other port...

Portfolio: Athian · Benchmark Labs · IMIO

[WATCH] Research Breakthrough

'Head sock' helping in fight against cattle methane emissions
ABC News Australia · 2026-09-15

ZELP Sense's wearable measures cattle methane concentration and airflow in real time, with more than 20,000 hours of field testing, creating a practical validation layer for mitigation interventions. This expands the measurement ecosystem relevant to CH4 Global and Athian, especi...

Portfolio: CH4 Global · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Regulatory Win

Fremantle Seaweed Secures Licence for Feed Additive That Can Reduce Cattle Methane Emissions by 80%
DairyNews.today · 2026-09-14

Fremantle Seaweed’s FutureFeed licence to commercialize an Asparagopsis-based additive shows regulatory and commercialization momentum for methane-reduction solutions. Its planned integrated supply chain and 576-ton annual production target provide a useful benchmark for CH4 Glob...

Portfolio: CH4 Global

[RISK] News

Seaweed methane claims face evidence, durability, and regulatory questions
The Rio Times · 2026-09-13

A recent review of seaweed cattle-feed claims highlights that widely cited methane reductions can rest on small samples, effects may decay over time, feed intake can fall at higher doses, and approvals remain limited in major markets. This is a diligence and commercialization ris...

Portfolio: CH4 Global · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Google signs its biggest rice-methane carbon credit deal with Indian startup Mitti Labs
TechCrunch · 2026-09-10

Google agreed to purchase 1 million carbon credits from Mitti Labs through 2030, covering rice farms across roughly 100,000 hectares. The enterprise offtake validates measurable methane-reduction and water-saving agriculture as a scalable market, creating a useful benchmark for C...

Portfolio: CH4 Global · Athian · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Agreena secures record 4.45 million tonne soil carbon agreement
Agreena · 2026-09-08

Agreena announced a seven-year agreement to sell 4.45 million tonnes of soil-carbon credits from a project targeting 1.6 million hectares of Kazakh farmland by 2028. The scale and Verra VM0042 validation pathway are a strong market signal for standardized soil-carbon measurement,...

Portfolio: Athian · Benchmark Labs · Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Canada funds SmartGRO AI lighting system for more efficient indoor agriculture
Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada · 2026-09-08

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada awarded up to C$894,673 to SmartGRO to develop pulsing LED lighting controlled by plant sensors and AI; controlled tests reported equivalent harvest weight with up to 80% less electricity. The grant signals continued public support for measurable,...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs

[RISK] Market Momentum

Food companies reassess sustainability targets as execution pressure grows
FoodNavigator · 2026-09-08

Coverage of JBS removing its 2040 net-zero target and other large food companies revising climate commitments highlights a shift from headline ambition toward measurable, executable interventions. That environment increases the value of portfolio solutions that can quantify outco...

Portfolio: Athian · Benchmark Labs · SIMPLi · Local Line

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

GSK commits to eight-year regenerative-agriculture carbon purchase with Varaha
Earthly · 2026-09-08

GSK is supporting an eight-year emissions-reduction purchase agreement with Earthly and Varaha that will expand regenerative practices across 50,000 hectares in northern India. The project links carbon finance with reduced residue burning, soil-carbon storage, water savings, farm...

Portfolio: Athian · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Farm Progress Show highlights AI spraying, farm assistants, forage vision, and open equipment APIs
Precision Farming Dealer · 2026-09-05

The roundup shows precision agriculture moving from isolated pilots toward dealer-scale distribution: AgZen's AI spraying system was picked up by more than 260 dealers, John Deere introduced its JD farm-data assistant, and Ag Leader opened an API for third-party camera integratio...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics · Benchmark Labs · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Research Breakthrough

Microbes—dead or alive—can be early indicators of soil health under regenerative farming
Phys.org · 2026-09-03

Researchers found that microbial biomass, necromass, and enzyme activity can serve as early proxies for soil-carbon formation and loss, years before conventional carbon measurements become detectable. Earlier biological indicators could improve the measurement layer for regenerat...

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[WATCH] Research Breakthrough

ZenaDrone begins testing autonomous spraying and seeding platform
Yahoo Finance / GlobeNewswire · 2026-09-03

ZenaTech announced a prototype autonomous drone designed for precision spraying and seeding, with field testing planned in Arizona. The model illustrates the expansion of farm robotics into input application and data-as-a-service, creating a competitive watchpoint for portfolio c...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics · Benchmark Labs · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Green Carbon and New Forests target large-scale rice methane projects in Vietnam
New Forests · 2026-09-02

Green Carbon and New Forests signed an MOU to assess large-scale Alternate Wetting and Drying rice projects in Vietnam, pairing on-the-ground project development with natural-capital investment expertise. The move validates demand for credible agricultural methane measurement, pr...

Portfolio: Athian · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

JIRCAS partners startup to scale marine cultivation of methane-reducing seaweed
Ag Navigator · 2026-08-28

Japan's agricultural research agency JIRCAS is partnering with startup KaginoWa to develop marine cultivation of Kagikenori, a native seaweed being evaluated as a low-dose cattle-feed additive to reduce methane. The research-to-commercialization pathway validates the broader seaw...

Portfolio: CH4 Global · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

Four new states join methane coalition as pilot grants worth US $100,000 target waste and farming emissions
The Climate Group · 2026-08-27

The Subnational Methane Action Coalition announced four pilot grants totaling $100,000 for projects addressing methane from waste or agriculture and expanded to 37 participating states and regions. The growth of subnational methane programs creates policy and demonstration pathwa...

Portfolio: CH4 Global · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Regulatory Win

Fremantle Seaweed secures FutureFeed licence to sell methane-cutting seaweed to cattle farmers
EIN Presswire · 2026-08-27

Fremantle Seaweed's FutureFeed licence moves Asparagopsis from research and pilot work toward a permitted commercial feed channel, with a stated production plan for up to 25,000 cattle. That commercialization path is a useful benchmark for CH4 Global and for the fund's broader th...

Portfolio: CH4 Global

[WATCH] Research Breakthrough

EU-funded research network aims to revolutionise methane reduction in livestock through microbiome science
SC Group Animal Health News · 2026-08-26

The €4.8 million Rumen-Innovate network will bring 11 institutions and 19 research and industry partners together to study rumen microbes, feed efficiency, animal health, and methane output, with 15 doctoral researchers starting in 2027. The coordinated research agenda reinforces...

Portfolio: CH4 Global

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

SARA becomes first South American regenerative grassland program to pay farmers for carbon credits
Anthesis Group · 2026-08-26

Anthesis and Ruuts' SARA program reports direct carbon-credit income for farmers across more than 140 regenerative grazing farms and nearly 100,000 hectares in Argentina, Paraguay, and Chile. A Verra-certified program reaching farmer payouts is a concrete proof point for carbon-i...

Portfolio: Athian · Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Athian Livestock Carbon Program Guide
Ambrook · 2026-08-25

Athian’s updated program guide describes a functioning livestock carbon-insetting marketplace that pays producers for verified greenhouse-gas reductions, with accredited third-party review and buyers inside the livestock value chain. The reported $18 million paid to dairy farmers...

Portfolio: Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Policy Shift

MDARD Expands Regenerative Agriculture Work with Investment in Dairy Grazing
Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development · 2026-08-25

Michigan’s Regenerative Agriculture Program awarded a $275,490 grant to the Wallace Center at Winrock International to lower technical and financial barriers for small and midsize dairy farms adopting grazing practices. The state-backed service-provider training and resource mapp...

Portfolio: Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Mafix raises $5.4m to activate silicate rock into fertilizer
AgFunderNews · 2026-08-20

Mafix raised a $5.4 million pre-seed round to develop enhanced-rock-weathering fertilizer and field trials, connecting farm inputs with carbon removal and nutrient efficiency. The financing validates investor appetite for measurable climate-smart agricultural inputs adjacent to t...

Portfolio: Nitricity · Clean Crop Technologies · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Google Opens 2026 Climate R&D Awards for Carbon Removal
ESG News · 2026-08-13

Google's 2026 R&D awards offer up to $500,000 per project across carbon removal and superpollutant mitigation, including a combined $800,000 opportunity for perennial grains, oilseeds, pulse crops, and standardized agricultural greenhouse-gas accounting. The call validates ca...

Portfolio: Athian · CH4 Global · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Ranchbot raises $15m, Target chief AI officer, BioHarvest plant cell deal
AgFunderNews · 2026-08-13

Ranchbot's more-than-$15 million Series B and U.S. holding-company formation show investor support for connected infrastructure that helps ranchers monitor water, livestock, and land remotely. The signal is relevant to Cultivate Next's Athian and Benchmark Labs theses around meas...

Portfolio: Athian · Benchmark Labs · Lumachain

[OPPORTUNITY] Regulatory Win

Verra's Rice Cultivation and Landfill Gas Methodologies Receive ICVCM Approval
Verra · 2026-08-12

ICVCM approval of Verra's rice-methane methodology under the Core Carbon Principles strengthens the credibility of agriculture-linked emissions markets and can make carbon finance more actionable for smallholder farmers. For Cultivate Next, this is a validation signal for portfol...

Portfolio: Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Aramco Ventures Leads $9.5M Series A in Mitti Labs
Lucidity Insights · 2026-08-08

Aramco Ventures led a $9.5 million Series A for Mitti Labs, which combines AI, satellite data, field operations, and digital MRV to reduce methane and water use in rice farming while expanding across Southeast Asia. The round validates investor appetite for measurable climate-sma...

Portfolio: Athian · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Regulatory Win

ICVCM Endorses Soil Carbon Standard to Strengthen Market Integrity
ESG Post · 2026-08-07

The Integrity Council for the Voluntary Carbon Market approved the U.S. Soil Enrichment Protocol under its Core Carbon Principles label, strengthening expectations for scientific robustness, social safeguards, and environmental integrity in soil-carbon projects. Higher-integrity ...

Portfolio: Athian · IMIO · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Mitti Labs secures $9.5 million to scale climate tech push across Asia
The Economic Times · 2026-08-07

Mitti Labs' $9.5 million Series A, led by Aramco Ventures, demonstrates investor appetite for satellite-and-AI systems that connect farm practice changes to water savings, methane reduction, and carbon-credit generation. The model is a useful adjacent benchmark for Cultivate Next...

Portfolio: Athian · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Saudi Aramco backs India's Mitti Labs to make Asia's rice farming more water-resilient
TechCrunch · 2026-08-05

Mitti Labs' $9.5 million Series A shows capital moving toward measurable, field-level climate outcomes: its GeoAI platform reportedly cuts rice water use by about 40% and methane emissions by more than 50% while generating carbon credits. The model is a useful benchmark for Athia...

Portfolio: Athian · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Soil Capital and Regrow Partner to Deliver End-to-End Scope 3 Insetting Programs in Latin America
Soil Capital · 2026-08-03

Soil Capital and Regrow are combining carbon modeling, primary farm data, farmer enrollment, regenerative-program execution, and GHG Protocol LSRS-validated certification into a single Scope 3 insetting offering across Latin America. The integrated model highlights a maturing mar...

Portfolio: Athian · SIMPLi · Local Line

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Envision Delivers Low-Carbon Ammonia Environmental Attribute Certificates to PepsiCo APAC, Pioneering Decarbonization in the Fertilizer Industry
PR Newswire · 2026-07-31

Envision and PepsiCo APAC's 1,000-tonne low-carbon ammonia certificate delivery demonstrates a book-and-claim pathway for traceable fertilizer decarbonization. The model is a commercial validation point for Nitricity's low-carbon nitrogen platform and for Athian's broader opportu...

Portfolio: Nitricity · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Athian Sells First Sustainability Insets for Brazilian Beef
AgTech Media Group LLC · 2026-07-30

Athian’s first sustainability insets tied to Brazilian beef demonstrate an end-to-end international livestock emissions workflow: a Rumin8 feed trial, farm-level methane measurement, Athian verification and registration, and Minerva Foods’ purchase of the resulting Scope 3 assets...

Portfolio: Athian · CH4 Global

[WATCH] Research Breakthrough

Field Study: Catching Cow Burps in Real Time
Harvard Salata Institute · 2026-07-30

Harvard's GRAZE-Tag showed close agreement with the GreenFeed reference system in an early UC Davis field test, strengthening the case for lower-cost, real-time livestock methane measurement. Better measurement can improve validation and payment pathways for CH4 Global's feed sol...

Portfolio: CH4 Global · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Athian verifies, registers, and sells first sustainability inset credits for Brazilian beef pilot (with Rumin8 and Minerva Foods)
EIN Presswire · 2026-07-29

Concrete commercialization milestone for insetting/Scope 3-aligned livestock methane reductions, validating Athian’s approach to monetizing on-farm emissions cuts.

Portfolio: Athian

[WATCH] Research Breakthrough

Alquería Seaweed Methane Trial Cuts Cattle Emissions Over 80%
The Rio Times · 2026-07-27

A Colombian dairy processor and SeaStock reported more than 80% lower enteric methane in a trial using Asparagopsis, extending commercial validation beyond Australia. The article notes that full methodological details remain limited, so the signal is best treated as a market-deve...

Portfolio: CH4 Global · Athian

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Bluff methane buster tech taken over by local company
Farmers Weekly NZ · 2026-07-27

Follow-on operator (ASTEC) continuing asparagopsis cultivation after CH4 Global's exit suggests ongoing research demand and infrastructure persistence despite regulatory friction—worth tracking for partnership/market-entry timing for methane-reduction solutions.

Portfolio: CH4 Global

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Vermont farmers see robotic weeders in action — Here's what it takes to put one in the field
Vermont Daily Chronicle · 2026-07-24

Greenfield Robotics' BOTONY units being 'sold out for 2026' signals demand pull for autonomous/robotic weeding and mechanical weed control—an adoption wedge that can reduce chemical inputs and supports broader autonomy data infrastructure.

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[WATCH] Research Breakthrough

New compound provides more methane reducing options for cattle producers
Beef Central · 2026-07-23

Rumin8's prodrug approach converts to bromoform in the rumen and reported near-total methane inhibition in vitro plus preliminary reductions up to 86% in a small cattle trial. Although additional validation is required, the result expands the competitive set and market evidence a...

Portfolio: CH4 Global · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Thought Leadership

How Clint Brauer and Greenfield Robotics Are Solving Regenerative Agriculture's Biggest Contradiction
Metapress · 2026-07-21

Provides fresh traction markers for Greenfield Robotics (sold-out 2026 season across 16 states; $1M+ signed delivery contracts) and notes a potential Regulation A+ raise pathway, useful for monitoring financing and scaling readiness.

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Groundwork BioAg Issues First Verified Carbon Credits Under Rootella Carbon Program
PR Newswire · 2026-06-25

Portfolio: Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Better Beef Burps: Australia's first methane-tamed beef
ABC News (Australia) · 2026-06-14

Commercial sale of low-methane beef enabled by asparagopsis-based supplements validates demand for methane-reduction solutions and the path from trials to market, supporting go-to-market momentum for CH4 Global and adjacent feed-additive partners.

Portfolio: CH4 Global

[WATCH] Funding Environment

Number 8 Bio wins DFI challenge to scale methane-cutting feed tech
Hong Kong Business · 2026-06-09

Retailer + VC-sponsored challenges awarding grants and pilots to enteric methane solutions indicate demand pull for scalable additives and monitoring helpful for portfolio positioning around methane reduction and measurement.

Portfolio: CH4 Global · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Research Breakthrough

Sixteen44 prepares farm demo for plasma-based methane abatement tech
AgFunderNews · 2026-06-08

Plasma-based methane abatement aligns directly with CH4 Global and Athian's livestock emissions reduction thesis, validating the investment category.

Portfolio: CH4 Global · Athian

[RISK] Regulatory Win

CH4 Global relocates operations from New Zealand to Australia amid regulatory issues
DairyNews.today · 2026-06-05

Regulatory friction for methane-reduction additives creates a clear need for policy navigation and diversified go-to-market strategies for CH4 Global and similar climate ag solutions in the fund portfolio.

Portfolio: CH4 Global

[RISK] Policy Shift

California advocates warn cap-and-invest rule changes could cut climate funding for ag programs
CalCAN (California Climate & Agriculture Network) · 2026-05-27

If California's GGRF climate-investment pool shrinks, discretionary programs that fund on-farm climate adoption (e.g., Healthy Soils) could become harder to access—slowing adoption of regenerative practices and potentially lengthening sales cycles for climate-linked farm solution...

Portfolio: Nitricity · Greenfield Robotics · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Thought Leadership

Pivot Bio CEO Provides Key Insight to U.S. Treasury Department and IRS Officials on Proposed 45Z Clean Fuel Production Credit Guidelines
Pivot Bio · 2026-05-27

Public comments on 45Z implementation highlight that biological nitrogen management is being positioned as a recognized pathway to lower feedstock carbon intensity—supporting policy pull for fertilizer-reduction innovations.

Portfolio: Nitricity

[OPPORTUNITY] Regulatory Win

IEA launches Methane Regulator-to-Regulator Network (MR2R) to strengthen methane policy implementation
ESG News · 2026-05-26

Momentum toward tighter methane oversight increases demand for credible measurement and abatement pathways; it strengthens the regulatory backdrop for methane-reduction solutions and verified emissions accounting.

Portfolio: CH4 Global · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Research Breakthrough

Global rice paddy greenhouse gas emissions have doubled during the past 60 years — but practical farm changes could cut methane
EurekAlert! (Nature Food) · 2026-05-22

A Nature Food synthesis identifying water management, residue handling, and nitrogen efficiency as levers to cut rice methane underscores growing pressure for verified, scalable emissions reductions in row crops—creating adjacent demand for measurement, incentive design, and inpu...

Portfolio: Athian · Nitricity

[WATCH] Research Breakthrough

Triple Bio unveils novel lipid tech to boost milk yields, curb methane
AgFunderNews · 2026-05-20

Triple Bio's lipid encapsulation approach aims to drastically reduce required doses of existing methane inhibitors (e.g., bromoform) and improve efficacy across feeding regimens, which could widen the feasible market for enteric methane solutions adjacent to CH4 Global's seaweed-...

Portfolio: CH4 Global · Athian

[WATCH] Policy Shift

Methane emissions are accelerating warming. Scientists say this plan can help
World Economic Forum · 2026-05-04

Portfolio: CH4 Global · Athian

CONSUMER TRENDS

[WATCH] Market Momentum

America's appetite for food reform extends beyond MAHA's supporter base
Food Ingredients First · 2026-10-26

Annenberg survey results summarized in the article report 75% support for tighter regulation of dyes and chemical additives and 80% support for ultra-processed-food labeling, extending beyond respondents who identify as MAHA supporters. This keeps reformulation and ingredient-tra...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[WATCH] Market Momentum

MAHA pressure accelerates clean-label reformulation in meat and poultry
The National Provisioner · 2026-10-16

This is a directional reformulation signal: food manufacturers interviewed by Prosur describe growing scrutiny of nitrites, BHA/BHT and interest in natural alternatives. The supplier-led article names no new portfolio-company launch or regulatory timetable, so treat it as a watch...

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Ibai Llanos y Gerard Piqué entran en la startup Plesh de ‘snacks’ de chocolate
La Vanguardia · 2026-10-05

The €3.75 million round for a Spanish brand of no-added-sugar chocolate snacks with vegetable fibre, already sold at more than 3,000 retail points, is an adjacent benchmark for investor appetite in better-for-you food and distribution-ready brands. It is not a portfolio financing...

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Coca-Cola eyes prebiotic fiber for Coke Zero Sugar, Sprite and Fresca
Food Ingredients First · 2026-09-30

Food Ingredients First reported that online packaging images point to possible prebiotic-fiber versions of several Coca-Cola brands, but Coca-Cola has not confirmed the products. If substantiated, mainstream adoption could expand demand for functional fibers and formulation capab...

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

From milk to snack foods, more products are going ‘regenerative’
The Philadelphia Inquirer · 2026-09-19

The article reports that U.S. retail sales of regenerative-agriculture products reached about $2 billion annually and grew 10% year over year, with offerings expanding across food categories. That demand trend supports portfolio companies such as SIMPLi that build traceable, resp...

Portfolio: SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Clean-label demands reshape plant-based milk innovation
FoodNavigator · 2026-09-14

Planet Oat’s five-ingredient Humble Edition, alongside simplified formulas from Malk, Elmhurst, and Oatly, shows clean-label competition shifting toward shorter ingredient lists and familiar components. This is a valuable consumer and formulation signal for Cultivate Next’s plant...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Thought Leadership

Ingredion outlines evolving consumer expectations for clean-label food
Ingredion · 2026-09-11

Ingredion reports that clean-label expectations increasingly combine recognizable ingredients, transparency, nutrition, sustainability, value, and taste rather than focusing on ingredient removal alone. This creates an opening for portfolio companies developing scalable, function...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Thought Leadership

Ultra-processed food trends in the US 2026: consumer insights
Innova Market Insights · 2026-09-09

Innova reports that MAHA-era scrutiny is pushing brands to reevaluate formulations, with consumers linking clean labels to natural ingredients, fewer additives, sourcing transparency, and sustainability credentials. Its September 2026 analysis cites 42% of US consumers as opposed...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms · Clean Crop Technologies

[RISK] News

Regenerative label payoff remains murky
Ag Alert · 2026-09-02

The market is not yet consistently paying a premium for regenerative labels, underscoring the need for portfolio companies to prove outcomes, economics, and verification rather than relying on claims alone. This is a diligence signal for Athian and other sustainability companies ...

Portfolio: Athian · CH4 Global · Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Edible Garden and Square Roots partner on farm-to-formula functional beverages
Edible Garden · 2026-08-24

Edible Garden and Square Roots signed a strategic product-development partnership to create clean-label functional ready-to-drink beverages from controlled-environment crops selected for naturally occurring bioactive compounds. The farm-to-formula model validates the convergence ...

Portfolio: Local Line

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

MAHA Food Trends: Impact On F&B Industry Strategy
Tastewise · 2026-08-24

Tastewise's latest consumer analysis shows accelerating conversation around clean-label claims, synthetic dyes, seed oils, and visible ingredient changes while warning that discussion is moving faster than actual purchasing behavior. The gap creates openings for Cultivate Next co...

Portfolio: Zero Acre Farms · Plantible Foods · SIMPLi

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Clean label enters redesign era as formulators tackle taste and texture trade-offs
Food Ingredients First · 2026-08-19

Industry reporting from Ingredion, Samyang, Kerry, and Tate & Lyle shows clean-label innovation shifting from simple ingredient removal to full reformulation supported by functional starches, fibers, fermentation ingredients, and AI-assisted formulation. This validates the co...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms · IMIO

[WATCH] Thought Leadership

Why every bite matters more in today's bakery and snacks landscape
Ingredion · 2026-08-12

Ingredion's consumer read highlights meal-like snacking, ingredient-list scrutiny, texture, nutrition, and consistent sensory performance as linked purchase drivers. The signal supports diligence on portfolio companies that can deliver recognizable ingredients, functional nutriti...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms · IMIO

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Trend Tracker: Clean label, GLP-1 and cultivated meat
FoodNavigator.com · 2026-08-07

The latest trend roundup points to sustained demand for high-protein, clean-label snacks with short ingredient lists, a 'plus and minus' reformulation pattern, and GLP-1-linked shifts toward nutrient-dense foods. Those signals support portfolio opportunities in functional plant p...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

How F&B ingredient suppliers are navigating the MAHA reformulation challenge
Food Ingredients First · 2026-07-27

MAHA-driven reformulation demand is accelerating supplier and brand investment in natural colors, food-derived preservation, and ‘clean label’ functionality—tailwinds for ingredient innovation and transparent supply chains.

Portfolio: SIMPLi · Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[WATCH] News

2026 Category Trends Report - Clean Label - Harmonya
www.harmonya.com · 2026-06-28

Signals direction of adoption/regulation that could accelerate pilots, procurement, or commercial traction for Cultivate Next portfolio companies.

[OPPORTUNITY] Regulatory Win

Clean Label, UPFs and Reformulation Redefine Food Value
FoodNavigator-USA · 2026-06-26

Momentum toward a federal definition of ultra-processed foods and potential label changes increases urgency for reformulation, traceability, and ingredient innovation—tailwinds for clean-label enabling technologies and supply chain transparency.

Portfolio: SIMPLi · Plantible Foods

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Beef tallow takeover? Big food companies begin to embrace MAHA ingredient
Food Dive · 2026-06-22

The MAHA-driven consumer shift away from seed oils toward animal fats underscores how quickly ingredient narratives can swing, raising both risk (anti-seed-oil sentiment) and opportunity for differentiated fats/oils and transparency-forward brands in the Cultivate Next orbit.

Portfolio: Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

MAHA’s food dye fight spreads across the grocery aisle
Axios · 2026-06-04

Accelerating retailer/CPG reformulation away from synthetic colors validates demand for clean-label, transparent ingredient systems and creates openings for ingredient and supply-chain transparency enablers in the Cultivate Next ecosystem.

Portfolio: SIMPLi · Zero Acre Farms · Plantible Foods · Benchmark Labs

RESTAURANT TECH

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Appetronix brings robotic dining to airports
Vending Times · 2026-11-09

The article identifies Appetronix among 10 winners of the 2026 ARKI Awards for its operating Donatos airport concept, which combines kiosk ordering, robotic preparation, and heated pickup lockers. It is a reference architecture for Hyphen's restaurant-automation integration thesi...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Pudu Robotics Unveils "One Brain, Multiple Embodiments" Strategy and Showcases Full Portfolio in European First

Pudu Robotics (via PR Newswire) · 2026-11-05

At its Nov. 4 European Partner Summit, Pudu presented a shared AI and software strategy across six robot product lines, including restaurant service robots, and reported more than 60% average annual European revenue growth over the prior two years. The company-reported expansion ...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Robot World 2026’s First Food-Tech Pavilion Highlights Physical AI for Restaurant Kitchens

Seoul Economic Daily · 2026-11-05

At the Nov. 4–7 Robot World expo, a new food-tech pavilion featured restaurant automation, including Robotable’s two-arm ZEST research platform using cameras, thermal sensors, and an electronic nose to assess cooking progress, alongside Aniai’s compact grill demonstration. This p...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[WATCH] Market Momentum

New Research from the National Restaurant Association Identifies Connected Technology as Restaurants' Next Competitive Edge

National Restaurant Association · 2026-11-05

A newly published survey of 212 restaurant operators signals that connected technology, automation, data, and AI are expected to matter, while deployment remains early: 38.6% report using AI and 3.2% report companywide AI implementation. Cost, business fit and value, workforce ex...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Yum Brands flags AI as ‘transformative to the business’

CIO Dive · 2026-11-03

CIO Dive reported from Yum's Nov. 3 earnings call that KFC's Bite Kitchen Display System had rolled out to restaurants; Yum's CFO cited 8% faster drive-thru speeds and 12% fewer refunds. This provides a company-reported benchmark for kitchen throughput and accuracy that could inf...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Fast-casual restaurants continue to push AI investments

CIO Dive · 2026-11-02

Chipotle described an AI prep-forecasting pilot at 500 restaurants and a planned national rollout in early 2027, plus additional kitchen tools. This reinforces operator demand for measurable kitchen-efficiency technology and creates an adoption benchmark relevant to Hyphen; no po...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

TechMagic and Shuto Service to Pilot I-Robo 2 in Tokyo’s Kitchen MAGIC ROAD

TechMagic · 2026-10-21

TechMagic and Metropolitan Expressway operators announced a Tokyo cafeteria proof-of-concept using I-Robo 2 to automate stirring, heating, and pan washing, with an October 28 opening planned and possible expansion. This is a concrete labor-saving foodservice pilot relevant to Hyp...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Flippy Can Now See in 3D: Miso Robotics Debuts Next Generation Robot Vision Live at LA Tech Week
QSR Magazine (Miso Robotics) · 2026-10-20

Miso's live LA Tech Week demonstration of 3D vision on a lab-test Flippy system signals progress toward more adaptable kitchen robotics. It is adjacent validation for Hyphen's restaurant-automation thesis, but the new vision was not reported as deployed in operating restaurants.

Portfolio: Hyphen

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Food Robotics Market to Grow at 13.1% CAGR Through 2033 as Labor Shortages Accelerate Automation - Key Players: Kawasaki Heavy Industries, Yaskawa Electric Corporation, Mitsubishi Electric
DataM Intelligence (via openPR) · 2026-10-19

A DataM Intelligence press release projects the broad food-robotics market growing from US$2.21B in 2025 to US$5.92B by 2033, which is directionally relevant to Hyphen's automation market. The release discloses no methodology or separate report date, and its category is broader t...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Ricoh and Hyphen partner to drive robotic automation in food service industry
PR Newswire via Morningstar · 2026-10-15

The partnership pairs Hyphen's Automated Makeline with Ricoh's deployment and lifecycle-support capabilities, addressing an adoption and service-scaling bottleneck for restaurant robotics. It strengthens the case that portfolio company Hyphen can pursue broader restaurant deploym...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Introducing the New Square Kiosk: Reimagining Self-Service with Intelligence
Square · 2026-10-14

Square's newly available AI- and voice-enabled kiosk brings conversational menu guidance, loyalty linking, and contextual add-on suggestions into QSR self-service. It validates demand for connected front-of-house tools and is a competitive adjacency for PopID, but it is not a bio...

Portfolio: PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Deliverect and Yext Partner to Keep Restaurant Data Accurate Across Every Digital Surface, Including AI Search
PR Newswire · 2026-10-08

The integration links live restaurant menus, hours, availability, and allergen data to search, maps, and AI assistants, demonstrating growing demand for interoperable restaurant operations data. This could create integration opportunities for Hyphen's automated makeline platform ...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

TableChat launches AI-powered restaurant discovery, direct ordering and customer-retention platform

The Columbus Dispatch (press release) · 2026-10-08

TableChat launched a platform linking food discovery, direct ordering, loyalty, reservations and customer analytics, providing a market signal for integrated restaurant-commerce software. Its customer-retention layer is adjacent to PopID, while ordering and POS integrations may m...

Portfolio: PopID · Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Kutlerri.ai raises $4M to expand AI agents for restaurant sales, costs

Fast Casual · 2026-09-30

Kutlerri.ai raised $4 million from Narahari Investments to expand managed AI agents for catering sales, delivery, marketing spend, prime-cost optimization and food-prep/waste control. The restaurant-automation investment is an adjacent demand signal for Hyphen, though Kutlerri au...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

SoftBank Robotics Expands AI & Robotics Solutions for Foodservice in EMEA

Business Wire · 2026-09-30

SoftBank Robotics is expanding its foodservice automation push in EMEA and will showcase cooking and service robots at EquipHotel, including STEAMA, FLAMA, BOTINKIT Omni and Servi Q. The move broadens operator exposure to robotics and validates category demand that could help Hyp...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[WATCH] Market Momentum

DYNA Robotics Launches DYNA 2.1 Physical Agent, a Semi-humanoid Robot that Completes Full Workflows such as a Commercial Laundry Shift

PR Newswire (DYNA Robotics) · 2026-09-29

DYNA Robotics launched a semi-humanoid physical agent and says it is being deployed in hotels, laundromats, and restaurants; its public demonstration showed a commercial laundry workflow, not a kitchen task. This is a watchpoint in general-purpose robotics and a benchmark for Hyp...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

CHIPOTLE REACHES 1,500 CHIPOTLANES, ADVANCING NORTH AMERICAN GROWTH STRATEGY

Chipotle Investor Relations · 2026-09-29

Chipotle says it has added 500 Chipotlanes in less than two years and plans 350–370 new restaurants in 2026, with digital pickup lanes central to its development strategy. That growth can widen a practical market for portfolio capabilities that support restaurant throughput and d...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Wonder execs lay out plan for autonomous food platform

Nation's Restaurant News · 2026-09-26

Wonder outlined a Texas model pairing its Infinite Makeline bowl robot with Zipline drone delivery, targeting meals prepared and handed off with less than a minute of human labor. The plan validates demand for connected kitchen automation and autonomous delivery, while setting a ...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

McDonald’s announces $8.5B restaurant modernization and technology plan
Yahoo Finance · 2026-09-23

McDonald’s planned $8.5 billion, 10-year modernization push—including generative-AI operating system ArchIQ, common data platforms, and technology deployment across more than 46,000 restaurants—sets a major market benchmark for restaurant automation. The scale reinforces the oppo...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID · Lumachain

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Circus Starts Commercial Operations in the United Arab Emirates - Partners with Royal Prestige Catering
Circus SE · 2026-09-22

Circus SE began its first commercial operations outside Europe through a partnership with Royal Prestige Food Contracts in Abu Dhabi, deploying its CA-1 food-production robot for a contract caterer serving more than three million meals annually. This is a commercial-scale validat...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

xtraCHEF founders launch Tandem AI platform with 100-restaurant pilot
PR Newswire via Morningstar · 2026-09-22

Tandem’s seed-funded launch and pilot across 100 restaurant locations show operators are ready for AI agents that work across POS, labor, accounting, inventory, purchasing, and guest systems rather than another isolated dashboard. The platform validates Cultivate Next’s restauran...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Presto integrates with Toast to scale drive-thru voice AI
Restaurant Dive · 2026-09-21

Presto’s Toast integration demonstrates that restaurant voice AI can scale through existing POS and kitchen-display infrastructure rather than a major hardware replacement. The reported 95% accuracy and multi-brand QSR deployments create a market benchmark for Hyphen and PopID as...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Presto Announces Integration with Toast to Expand Voice AI for Drive-Thru Automation
Business Wire · 2026-09-21

Presto joining the Toast Partner Ecosystem connects drive-thru voice AI directly to POS and kitchen workflows, showing that restaurant automation is moving from isolated pilots toward interoperable operating systems. This validates the integration opportunity for Hyphen and other...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

PopID Closes Equity Financing
Business Wire · 2026-09-18

PopID’s new financing from Verifone, PayPal, Visa Ventures, Commerce Ventures, and Chipotle’s Cultivate Next validates biometric identity as a scalable restaurant and payments infrastructure category. The capital creates a high-signal opening for portfolio partnerships around ide...

Portfolio: PopID

[RISK] News

The humans are rejecting the machines that were supposed to help them
CNN Business · 2026-09-17

Restaurants and retailers are pulling back on some self-checkout, kiosk, and AI-ordering deployments while increasing human staffing and hospitality investments; the article cites &pizza removing touchscreen and voice-ordering systems and Burger King hiring 60,000 workers. Th...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] News

Chipotle is piloting a food safety platform with Palantir
Nation's Restaurant News · 2026-09-17

Chipotle's Palantir pilot is a high-signal customer example for data-driven food-safety risk management: centralizing restaurant data, surfacing trends, and prioritizing follow-up. It creates a reference point for Cultivate Next portfolio companies working on traceability, supply...

Portfolio: Local Line · Lumachain · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

DoorDash and Wonder Announce Strategic Partnership
DoorDash Investor Relations / Business Wire · 2026-09-15

DoorDash's $125 million investment in Wonder and $300 million purchase of Wonder's Grubhub Campus Dining business show strategic capital concentrating around integrated foodservice platforms, physical expansion, robotics, and AI. The move validates an enterprise market for restau...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[WATCH] Research Breakthrough

AGRIST Launches AI Harvesting Robot for Round-the-Clock Operation
Blackbox JP · 2026-09-14

AGRIST's Q harvesting robot combines AI, dual batteries, and crop-specific robotics, with reported 99.96% fewer main-branch cutting errors and rentals planned for 2027. It is a useful adjacent validation signal for Greenfield Robotics and the broader thesis that autonomous field ...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Can Serve Robotics' Beacon Overcome Restaurant Integration Barriers?
Yahoo Finance / Zacks Investment Research · 2026-09-14

Serve Robotics' Beacon is designed to connect restaurants to autonomous delivery using built-in cellular connectivity, requiring only power and no restaurant internet or POS changes. The low-friction integration model reinforces demand for deployment-ready restaurant automation a...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Emilia AI Raises $1.5M to Build a Restaurant Operating System
Prosus Ventures · 2026-09-14

Prosus Ventures' $1 million pre-seed investment, alongside $500,000 from angels, signals continued investor appetite for restaurant software that converts existing cameras and POS data into labor, fraud, and sales insights. The category overlaps with Cultivate Next's interest in ...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Wonder debuts its robotic bowl maker
Nation's Restaurant News · 2026-09-14

Wonder's robotic bowl maker, capable of holding up to 68 ingredients, is another proof point that multi-ingredient robotic food assembly is moving toward real restaurant deployment. It validates the market opening for Hyphen's automated preparation systems and complementary resta...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Research Breakthrough

USDA Awards Cornell $7.5M to Develop Autonomous Orchard Robots
Energies Media · 2026-09-13

A four-year USDA Specialty Crop Research Initiative grant is funding a Cornell-led Center of Excellence for Orchard Robotics with university, grower, and industry partners. The public investment expands the commercial proof base for autonomous field work and strengthens the long-...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics · Benchmark Labs

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Robotik-Restaurant: Heute kocht der Roboter: Modellversuch startet in Leipzig
ZEIT · 2026-09-12

Germany's Robyn's pilot will use an autonomous kitchen robot to prepare 14 dishes in a roughly 60-square-meter restaurant, producing 80–120 bowls per hour with one employee. The concrete operating model gives Cultivate Next a useful real-world benchmark for Hyphen's automated bow...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

OpenTable launches more than 20 AI tools to help restaurants fill seats
IT Brief Asia · 2026-09-11

OpenTable launched more than 20 restaurant features spanning AI discovery, demand generation, reporting, table management, and integrations, including connections with conversational search platforms. The breadth of the release shows restaurant software moving from point features...

Portfolio: PopID · Hyphen

[WATCH] Collaborative Move

Toast Changemakers Program Returns, Offering $150,000 in Grants to Restaurants Fighting Hunger
Business Wire · 2026-09-10

Toast reopened its Changemakers program with $150,000 in grants for 15 U.S. restaurants, within a five-year $5 million food-insecurity commitment. The program is a collaborative-intelligence signal that restaurant technology platforms are attaching capital and community impact pr...

Portfolio: Local Line

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

goodBytz and Leonardo Hotels partner to deploy autonomous kitchen robot
goodBytz · 2026-09-09

goodBytz's partnership with Leonardo Hotels will deploy the autonomous luca kitchen robot to prepare fresh salads and bowls 24/7 at Vienna Airport. The hotel deployment is another commercial proof point for automated fresh-food production and a useful benchmark for Hyphen's robot...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Chipotle expands high-efficiency kitchen equipment and internal innovation programs
Fast Company · 2026-09-08

Chipotle's High-Efficiency Equipment Package is expected in roughly 2,000 restaurants by the end of 2026, while the Cultivate Center continues rapid prototyping and testing of operational improvements. The rollout is a strong validation point for restaurant automation and workflo...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Maple and SpotOn partner to add 24/7 AI phone ordering to restaurant POS
Business Wire via Financial Content · 2026-09-08

Maple and SpotOn announced a direct POS integration for 24/7 AI phone ordering, reservations, and FAQs, with menus, modifiers, pricing, and availability synced automatically. The reported minutes-to-deploy workflow is a strong commercialization signal for restaurant automation an...

Portfolio: PopID · Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Research Breakthrough

AI, drones and laser-weeding robots reshape farming in China’s grain heartland
Global Agriculture · 2026-09-05

Heilongjiang is layering AI decision tools, drone monitoring, and laser-weeding robots onto a highly mechanized farming base; the reported systems target more than 95% weed-control effectiveness with lower crop damage and labor costs. The deployment shows how autonomous equipment...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics · Benchmark Labs · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

The emerging economics of foodservice automation
Hospitality & Catering News · 2026-09-05

Wonder is pairing restaurant expansion with in-house AI, robotics, and automation investment, including technology integration across a growing physical footprint. The model reinforces the opportunity for portfolio companies such as Hyphen to sell measurable throughput, labor, an...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Cali Group partners with Miso Robotics and PopID on autonomous Pasadena restaurant
Pasadena Now · 2026-09-04

Cali Group’s planned CaliExpress by Flippy combines Miso Robotics’ automated grill/fry stations with PopID’s biometric accounts and self-ordering kiosks in a restaurant designed to run without a conventional human-operated line. The announced deployment is a concrete proof point ...

Portfolio: PopID · Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Heungkuk F&B makes 2 billion won strategic investment in Plato Robotics
Asia Economy · 2026-09-03

Heungkuk F&B is investing 2 billion won in Plato Robotics through staged convertible-bond purchases tied to installation and evaluation of a new robot beverage system, while also securing exclusive Korean distribution rights. The structure demonstrates a strategic-investment-...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Chowbus and Maple partner on multilingual voice AI ordering for restaurants
Business Wire via Yahoo Finance · 2026-09-02

Chowbus and Maple are integrating multilingual voice ordering into Chowbus POS workflows across the U.S. and Canada, including Mandarin, Cantonese, Korean, and English. The partnership validates restaurant AI that is embedded in existing operator systems rather than sold as a sta...

Portfolio: PopID · Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

UK launches £10m three-year hospitality grant scheme for independent operators
GOV.UK / Department for Business · 2026-09-02

The UK launched a £10 million, three-year grant scheme for independent pubs, restaurants, and cafés to revive empty premises, expand local hospitality, and fund training. Although aimed at smaller operators, the program can widen the addressable market and test-bed base for acces...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

PAR Technology Launches Guest360, Bringing Unified Guest Understanding to Every Restaurant Transaction
PAR Technology / Business Wire · 2026-09-01

PAR's Guest360 connects first-transaction identity, cross-channel profiles, segmentation, and POS-linked activation for restaurant brands, with rollout to all Punchh customers planned through 2026. The product validates a market for unified guest identity and actionable transacti...

Portfolio: PopID · Hyphen

[WATCH] Market Momentum

DQ and Sharpa Launch a Zero-Retrofit, Fully Autonomous Robot Ice-Cream Restaurant
Sina Finance · 2026-08-28

Sharpa and Dairy Queen China announced a live Shanghai deployment in which a robot is intended to complete a 55-step Blizzard workflow from order through handoff using existing store equipment, without continuous human control. The deployment is an early proof point for zero-retr...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Owner Raises $240M Led by Goldman Sachs Alternatives to Build the AI-Native Platform for Every Local Business
PR Newswire · 2026-08-28

Restaurant software company Owner announced a $240 million financing led by Goldman Sachs Alternatives at a $2.3 billion valuation, positioning its ordering, marketing, and operating tools as an AI platform for local businesses. The round is a strong funding signal for restaurant...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

OpenTable launches its biggest AI feature suite yet for restaurants
Food & Beverage Magazine · 2026-08-26

OpenTable's rollout of more than 20 AI- and automation-enabled tools shows restaurant software is expanding beyond reservations into demand generation, operational workflows, and connected systems. It reinforces the opportunity for Cultivate Next portfolio companies such as Hyphe...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Bounteous and Deliverect Forge Global Partnership to Advance Branded Digital Ordering
Bounteous · 2026-08-24

Bounteous and Deliverect are integrating agentic-AI digital experiences with API-first ordering and fulfillment across carryout, delivery, dine-in, drive-thru, and catering. The partnership validates a market opening for Cultivate Next companies such as PopID to become interopera...

Portfolio: PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

MarginEdge Expands Restaurant Operations Platform with $80M Series D
Wellesley Hills Financial · 2026-08-23

MarginEdge raised an $80 million Series D to expand an AI-enabled restaurant operations and payments platform that works across purchasing, invoices, and cost data. The financing signals sustained investor appetite for infrastructure that turns fragmented restaurant back-office w...

Portfolio: Local Line · Lumachain

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

T-ROC to Deploy Up to 1,000 California Pizza Kitchen Automated Retail Machines
Vending Times · 2026-08-21

T-ROC's agreement to deploy up to 1,000 automated CPK machines over three years demonstrates that restaurant automation is expanding beyond labor-saving kitchen equipment into distributed, unattended formats. The rollout is a market signal for Hyphen and other Cultivate Next port...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Little Caesars Teams Up with Coco Robotics to Power Fast Autonomous Pizza Deliveries
PR Newswire · 2026-08-19

Little Caesars' Coco Robotics partnership is expanding autonomous delivery across Los Angeles, Chicago, Miami, and soon San Jose, with DoorDash and Uber Eats integrations designed to avoid manual store steps. The rollout validates restaurant-robotics distribution and integration ...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

SUMMITS and Hyphen team up to automate precision nutrition
Fitt Insider · 2026-08-18

SUMMITS is partnering with Hyphen to combine biometrics-based nutrition planning with Hyphen's automated makeline for colleges, gyms, hotels, and other venues. The expansion validates demand for automated, customizable food production beyond traditional restaurants and creates a ...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Sagtec Officially Launches HALO AI and Secures US$3 Million Purchase Order for 1,500 AI Food-Serving Robots from Dubai Distributor
GlobeNewswire · 2026-08-18

Sagtec launched its HALO AI food-serving robot alongside a roughly $3 million purchase order for 1,500 units from a Dubai distributor, moving the platform from pilots into a regional commercial deployment. The order is a useful proof point that front-of-house robotics can attract...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Square and OpenTable Deepen Strategic Partnership for Unified Dining, Guest and Payment Insights
Business Wire via MarketScreener · 2026-08-18

Square and OpenTable are connecting reservations, payments, transaction history, and guest data to give restaurants a unified view of the customer journey. The move validates demand for connected identity and payment infrastructure, creating a potential integration and channel op...

Portfolio: PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

VoiceBit Partners with Rezku to Bring AI Phone Ordering to Restaurants Nationwide
FinancialContent · 2026-08-18

VoiceBit's POS integration with Rezku routes AI phone orders directly into existing restaurant workflows, with synchronized menus and no duplicate entry or new hardware. The partnership is another proof point that restaurant automation is moving into voice, identity, and direct o...

Portfolio: PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Palona AI debuts AI platform for restaurants after $20M funding round
FastCasual · 2026-08-17

Palona's $20 million total funding and deployments across restaurant operators show that restaurant AI is expanding from voice ordering into a multimodal operating layer connecting demand, POS workflows, and live operations. The category is adjacent to Cultivate Next's Hyphen and...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Serve Launches Robot Delivery with Wonder, Adding Grubhub to Its Growing Delivery Network
Serve Robotics · 2026-08-17

Serve Robotics and Grubhub are bringing autonomous sidewalk delivery to more than 100 participating merchants in Chicago and nearly 200 in Los Angeles at launch, while previewing a countertop product intended to make robot delivery accessible to restaurants regardless of back-of-...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Serve Robotics partners with Grubhub in robot delivery expansion push
Reuters · 2026-08-17

Serve Robotics' Grubhub partnership puts sidewalk robots inside a major delivery marketplace and expands the operating footprint across three cities. The move validates platform-level distribution for autonomous restaurant delivery and creates a useful market read-through for Hyp...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

The 2026 Guide to Restaurant Automation Technology | Service Robot Co.
Service Robot Co. · 2026-08-14

The 2026 restaurant-automation guide describes accelerating deployments across front-of-house service, cooking, assembly, cleaning, and robotics-as-a-service, with payback and labor economics becoming central adoption criteria. This validates a broader investable market around po...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID · Brassica

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Flytrex, Nash focus on flexible delivery, not just drones
Fast Casual · 2026-08-13

Flytrex and Nash are positioning autonomous-first delivery as a flexible multimodal system that can choose drones or couriers based on route and operating conditions. This points to a broader restaurant-tech opportunity around orchestration and fulfillment infrastructure alongsid...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[WATCH] Thought Leadership

From Chatbots to Kitchen Automation: The AI Tools Restaurants Are Actually Using in 2026
Restaurant India · 2026-08-13

The article maps the 2026 restaurant AI stack from analytics and demand forecasting through voice ordering, connected agents, and task-specific kitchen robotics. It reinforces a market opening for Cultivate Next companies such as Hyphen and PopID as restaurant operators prioritiz...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Miso Robotics' Zignyl Adds New Quick Service Restaurant Brands to Its Rapidly Growing Customer Base
QSR Web · 2026-08-11

Miso Robotics' Zignyl added operators for Sbarro, Rocky Mountain Chocolate Factory, and Jersey Mike's, with reported gains in revenue per labor hour and plans to beta-test conversational analytics and forecasting through its Zippy platform. The customer expansion validates operat...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Adyen Expands Global Partnership with Toast into U.S.
PR Newswire · 2026-08-10

Adyen and Toast expanded their payments partnership into the U.S., extending a relationship that already supports restaurant and hospitality businesses in several international markets. The move validates continued consolidation of payments, operating data, and restaurant softwar...

Portfolio: PopID · Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Pay by Smile: In-Store Biometric Payments in the U.S.
J.P. Morgan · 2026-08-06

J.P. Morgan Payments is expanding its relationship with PopID to deploy face-based payments with U.S. pilot merchants, including Whataburger. The bank-backed rollout gives PopID a scaled payments partner and validates biometric checkout as a serious restaurant-technology channel,...

Portfolio: PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Square and Google Deepen Collaboration to Support the Future of Food Ordering
Yahoo Finance / Business Wire · 2026-08-06

Square and Google are connecting conversational discovery in Google Maps with menu synchronization, ordering, checkout, POS, and kitchen-display workflows through an expanded partnership and the Universal Commerce Protocol. The move validates a broader restaurant-tech shift towar...

Portfolio: PopID · Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Can Tech Rollouts Fix Wingstop's Sudden Slump?
Hospitality Technology · 2026-08-04

Wingstop’s reported Smart Kitchen rollout, AI leadership build-out and digital-first operating model show another scaled restaurant brand investing in automation and data-enabled execution. Its reported service and digital-satisfaction gains strengthen the market validation for H...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Atoms raises $1.7B to bring CloudKitchens, restaurant software and robotics under one roof
Restaurant Technology News · 2026-08-01

Large capital inflows into end-to-end kitchen automation and restaurant robotics validate the category and can expand buyer appetite for proven systems like Hyphen as operators seek scalable throughput gains.

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Chili's Invests in 23,000 iPads and 9,000 Kitchen Screens as It Takes a Selective Approach to AI
Restaurant Technology News · 2026-08-01

Brinker’s network rebuild, 23,000 server iPads, 9,000 kitchen touchscreens, and selective AI deployment show that restaurant automation is increasingly an infrastructure-and-workflow discipline rather than a standalone robot purchase. That validates market pull for portfolio tech...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[WATCH] News

Chipotle Tests New Payment Technology to Expand In-Restaurant Loyalty as Rewards Membership Reaches 23 Million
Restaurant Technology News · 2026-07-29

Chipotle’s planned August test will let guests earn rewards automatically at payment, without scanning a separate loyalty card, but the provider and recognition method remain undisclosed. The use case is a direct validation point for PopID and adjacent payment-linked identity pla...

Portfolio: PopID

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Robotic food kiosk market projected to top $1.75B by 2036
Fast Casual · 2026-07-28

Continued attention on automation hardware categories supports partner ecosystem development and potential pilots; also indicates a growing vendor field for modular automation components.

Portfolio: Hyphen

[WATCH] Funding Environment

CloudKitchens owner raises $1.7B to automate restaurants and more
Nation's Restaurant News · 2026-07-23

A large new capital injection into kitchen automation (robots + assembly-line meal production) suggests renewed investor appetite for restaurant robotics and end-to-end operational automation, increasing partnership and exit surface area for enabling tech.

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Deliverect and SoundHound AI Partner to Turn Voice Into a Fully Automated Ordering Channel for Restaurants
Yahoo! Finance · 2026-07-23

The Deliverect–SoundHound partnership connects voice agents to real-time menu data, POS integrations, and kitchen routing across a platform serving more than 80,000 locations. It validates the market for integrated restaurant automation and creates adjacent demand for Hyphen's ph...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[WATCH] Thought Leadership

Greenfield Robotics' Post
LinkedIn (Greenfield Robotics) · 2026-07-23

Company messaging on mechanical weeding + reduced herbicide reliance and a Regulation A "Test the Waters" campaign signals fundraising posture and commercial traction narrative worth monitoring for follow-on support needs.

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] M&A Activity

Miso Robotics acquires Zume Pizza technology and IP to expand restaurant automation platform
Restaurant Technology News · 2026-06-25

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] News

Hyphen and Motoniq Partner to Bring Physical AI to Intelligent Food Automation
Business Wire (via FinancialContent) · 2026-06-23

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Aniai Launches New Robotic Cooking System for Small Spaces
The AI Insider · 2026-06-12

Continued productization of compact robotic cooking systems indicates accelerating adoption readiness for back-of-house automation, expanding the market opportunity for Cultivate Next restaurant-tech investments and potential partnership pathways.

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Thought Leadership

Cali Group CEO John Miller expands company into new restaurant technologies
Nation's Restaurant News · 2026-06-12

NRN coverage highlighting biometric payments/facial-recognition consent models and expansion into restaurant tech suggests continued momentum and buyer interest in frictionless identity + payments—supporting the commercialization runway for PopID and similar platforms.

Portfolio: PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

DoorDash lets customers use photos, prompts to order food and book reservations in latest AI push
CNBC · 2026-06-11

DoorDash expanding AI ordering and reservations signals accelerating adoption of AI-driven restaurant interfaces and operations, reinforcing market demand for restaurant-tech solutions and integrations with major platforms.

Portfolio: PopID · Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Marc Lores robots make 500 burrito bowls an hour. A human can make 45.
Fortune · 2026-06-09

Large-scale bowl assembly automation is moving from pilots to multi-location deployment (Sweetgreen: 32 locations), validating throughput and accuracy gains that Cultivate Next automation partners can help mainstream across fast-casual.

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] M&A Activity

Appetronix acquires Cibotica to expand robotic foodservice automation beyond pizza
Robotics & Automation News · 2026-06-04

Continued consolidation in kitchen robotics points to a maturing vendor landscape and faster go-to-market for automated assembly/dispensing systems, which can expand the set of potential partners/customers for restaurant automation bets.

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

National Restaurant Association Show 2026: operators shifting from ‘does automation work’ to ‘how fast can we deploy’
QSR Web · 2026-05-27

Operator readiness and quantified ROI claims for kitchen automation (e.g., profit per location) support adoption timing for automation and identity/payment layers across the restaurant stack.

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[RISK] News

Pizza robot company Picnic shuts down
Nation's Restaurant News · 2026-05-26

Picnic’s shutdown is a cautionary signal that single-purpose robotics companies still face adoption, unit economics, and deployment-friction hurdles—raising the premium on automation platforms that integrate cleanly into existing workflows and can demonstrate ROI (relevant to Hyp...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Yum Brands' tech chief on building its 'AI backbone'
CIO Dive · 2026-05-11

Yum’s scale deployment of a unified technology stack (Byte by Yum) and data model signals large operators are standardizing on integrated ‘restaurant operating systems,’ validating demand and strategic value for automation and identity layers in the Cultivate Next portfolio (Hyph...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Autonomous Cooking Robots “STEAMA” and “FLAMA” to Debut in the U.S.
SoftBank Robotics · 2026-05-01

SoftBank Robotics’ U.S. debut of autonomous cooking robots at the National Restaurant Association Show underscores accelerating commercialization of kitchen automation, which can expand enterprise openness to back-of-house robotics and bolster the timing tailwind for Hyphen’s mak...

Portfolio: Hyphen

INGREDIENTS & SUPPLY CHAIN

[RISK] Thought Leadership

Brazil’s fertilizer gap is a global food risk
Fortune · 2026-11-15

Fortune’s Nov. 15 analysis says Brazil imported about 90% of the fertilizer it used in 2024, including about 99% of nitrogen and 98% of potash, exposing food production to trade, shipping, and price shocks. Its discussion of localized nitrogen production and nutrient recovery mak...

Portfolio: Nitricity · IMIO

[WATCH] News

21st.BIO files EU Novel Food application for beta-lactoglobulin
21st.BIO · 2026-11-12

21st.BIO's Nov. 12 filing of an EU Novel Food application for precision-fermented beta-lactoglobulin is a concrete commercialization step for an alternative whey-protein ingredient. It is an adjacent market signal for Plantible Foods' protein-ingredient landscape, but uses a diff...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Ingredion Incorporated Reports Third Quarter 2026 Results
Ingredion Incorporated · 2026-11-05

Ingredion attributed continued clean-label and specialty-ingredient demand to customer reformulation for simpler labels, affordability, and nutrition, while tapioca and manufacturing costs pressured profitability. This supports demand-side validation for Plantible Foods and Zero ...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[WATCH] Market Momentum

ADM sees growth in precision fermentation
Food Business News · 2026-11-05

ADM's Nov. 3 earnings call positioned precision fermentation as an ingredient-innovation platform built on existing assets, with egg-white alternatives moving toward commercial scale and a whey alternative under development with an unnamed technology partner. This signals incumbe...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Hectre's new lab takes fruit innovation further
University of Auckland · 2026-11-02

Hectre opened an Auckland lab on Oct. 27 under a near-NZ$5 million, three-year program co-funded by government and the company to develop hyperspectral fruit-quality inspection. This is an adjacent quality-data layer for Lumachain's computer-vision and food-production monitoring,...

Portfolio: Lumachain

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Kodiact Raises $2.5M to Help Manufacturers Get Ahead of Raw-Material Volatility
Kodiact · 2026-11-02

Kodiact raised $2.5 million in pre-seed funding to expand an AI-supported platform that links food manufacturers’ direct materials to price drivers and models sourcing decisions; the company names AG Barr as an early-adopter program participant but provides no quantified deployme...

Portfolio: SIMPLi · Local Line

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Food Supply Startup Lands a $6 Million Seed Funding Round
Los Angeles Business Journal · 2026-11-02

Loamy raised a $6 million seed round for software that combines AI, field and weather data, and satellite imagery to flag likely produce-spec failures and help redirect crops to alternate buyers. This is an adjacent market benchmark for Benchmark Labs, Local Line, and Lumachain a...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs · Local Line · Lumachain

[OPPORTUNITY] Regulatory Win

Formo Reports First FDA No-Questions Letter for Precision-Fermented Casein
Formo · 2026-10-28

Formo reports that FDA issued a no-questions letter for its precision-fermented Enhanced Casein after reviewing GRAS notice GRN 1312 for specified cheese-analog uses. This is a U.S. regulatory and commercialization milestone for fermented proteins and an adjacent pathway benchmar...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Epoch Raises $4.25 Million to Help SMEs Comply with EUDR Supply Chain Deforestation Regulation
ESG Today · 2026-10-26

Epoch's $4.25M seed and self-service EUDR compliance tool point to growing demand for supplier-origin data and deforestation-risk screening, adjacent to Lumachain's traceability and SIMPLi's origin-focused sourcing work. No commercial relationship with either portfolio company is...

Portfolio: Lumachain · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Watching fruit ripen pays off: Seattle ag-tech startup Strella lands $4.25M
GeekWire · 2026-10-23

Strella raised $4.25M in a Series A extension to expand IoT and machine-vision produce monitoring that helps growers and retailers spot spoilage across apples, pears, avocados, citrus, and kiwi. The produce-condition data is adjacent to Local Line's fresh-food sourcing workflows ...

Portfolio: Local Line · UF/IFAS Florida Avocado

[WATCH] Collaborative Move

UPM, Ingredion and Paramelt explore the potential of starch-based barriers in recyclable paper packaging
UPM · 2026-10-20

Ingredion's plant-based starch barrier passed Part 1 recyclability testing in a paper food-packaging structure developed with UPM and Paramelt. No current portfolio company is directly named; this is an adjacent commercialization signal for sustainable materials, not portfolio tr...

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Solinftec to Take Its Brazilian Autonomous Robot to Spanish Farms
Globo Rural · 2026-10-20

Solinftec is entering Spain with an Itagra.ct collaboration to adapt its autonomous Solix pest-monitoring robot to local conditions, including a two-to-three-month data run and outreach to about 50 growers. The pilot is an adjacent commercialization benchmark for Greenfield Robot...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Better Dairy secures GRAS for precision lactopontin
Nutrition Insight · 2026-10-20

Better Dairy's self-affirmed GRAS determination for precision-fermented lactopontin is a new U.S. commercialization milestone for functional proteins. It validates an ingredient pathway adjacent to Plantible Foods' broader market for scalable, functional proteins, while raising c...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

How 4 Farmers Use New Technology to Cut Costs and Improve Efficiency
DTN Progressive Farmer · 2026-10-19

DTN's new grower case studies offer concrete ROI benchmarks for precision spraying, data-led farm operations, and autonomous fieldwork, including reported herbicide savings above 60% and 900 acres planted autonomously. That reinforces the adoption bar facing Greenfield Robotics: ...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Al Ghurair to supply locally produced dextrose for Abu Dhabi's protein fermentation ecosystem
Zawya · 2026-10-12

Al Ghurair Foods signed an MoU to supply locally produced dextrose syrup to a New Agrarian-led consortium developing a 4-million-litre protein-fermentation facility in Abu Dhabi. The arrangement highlights upstream feedstock and manufacturing infrastructure for fermentation-based...

Portfolio: Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Israeli startup secures EIC funding for citrus harvesting robots
FreshPlaza · 2026-10-09

Nanovel received a €2.5 million EIC Accelerator grant and was selected for potential additional equity funding, supporting autonomous citrus-harvesting robots toward commercialization. This is adjacent validation for Greenfield Robotics' field-robotics thesis and for technologies...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Those Vegan Cowboys partners sports nutrition innovators to deliver precision-fermentation protein solutions
NutraIngredients · 2026-10-09

Those Vegan Cowboys, Interfood, HAS University of Applied Sciences and XXL Nutrition are working on functional nutrition applications for animal-free precision-fermented casein under a €1.2 million OPZuid-funded project. The collaboration validates commercial and formulation work...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[WATCH] Thought Leadership

AI's booming, but execute it right to win – Agrifood experts
FoodNavigator · 2026-10-08

Agrifood experts describe AI as accelerating technology screening, R&D and validation, while emphasizing that commercial execution, scaling and user trust matter more than novelty alone. That is a useful deployment lens for field-facing companies such as Greenfield Robotics a...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Female-founded Finches raises €2M for AI crop-risk alerts
Tech Funding News · 2026-10-08

Finches raised €2 million in pre-seed funding and launched a system that combines procurement, weather, satellite and field data to warn food manufacturers about crop risks weeks before shortages reach them. Its sourcing-risk alerts are an adjacent market benchmark for Benchmark ...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Myca raises $1.3m pre-seed to put AI agents in charge of agribusiness field operations
AgFunderNews · 2026-10-07

Myca raised $1.3 million in pre-seed funding for AI agents that support agribusiness field operations, with customers including Bayer and Olam Food Ingredients. This is a useful adjacent benchmark for Benchmark Labs' agricultural intelligence and Greenfield Robotics' field-work a...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs · Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Newberry Emerges as AgTech Hotspot with $75 Million in Investments
EIN Presswire (The Commercial Appeal syndication) · 2026-10-06

Newberry, Florida, reports a $69 million industrial hydroponic greenhouse project alongside a $5.6 million state infrastructure grant, contributing to roughly $75 million in AgFoodTech Park investment. The planned 325,000-square-foot site would produce leafy greens and soft fruit...

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Verley progresses towards 200,000-L tanks as precision fermentation enters its prove-it phase
AgFunderNews · 2026-10-06

Verley is working toward producing beta-lactoglobulin in 200,000-liter fermentation volumes at a contract manufacturer, with commercial sales targeted for 2027 and more than 20 food and beverage applications identified. The scale-up is a useful benchmark for Plantible Foods on th...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Syngenta Launches Cropwise Explorer to Help Retailers Deliver Data-Driven Recommendations
Precision Farming Dealer · 2026-10-06

Cropwise Explorer combines historical field performance, in-season crop data, satellite imagery, anomaly detection, and AI-generated summaries in a tool for agricultural retailers and grower customers. The launch validates demand for retailer-facing farm intelligence and creates ...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Berlin agtech hexafarms raises €4.8M to sell greenhouse sensors and scouting robots by subscription — TFN
Tech Funding News · 2026-10-06

Hexafarms' €4.8 million seed round validates investor appetite for precision-horticulture sensing, forecasting, and automated crop scouting. Its greenhouse monitoring and robotics are adjacent to Greenfield Robotics and Benchmark Labs' agricultural automation and decision-support...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics · Benchmark Labs

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Spiber launches SPIBER BIOFOUNDRY, opening the biomanufacturing platform behind Brewed Protein™ to partners

Spiber Inc. · 2026-10-02

Spiber has opened strain-engineering, process-development, and contract-fermentation services to external customers, from 1-liter bench fermenters to commercial facilities above 100 kL. This is a scale-up benchmark and possible ecosystem resource to monitor for fermentation-deriv...

Portfolio: Zero Acre Farms

[RISK] News

CDC closes jalapeño-linked Salmonella outbreak after clusters at 31 Chipotle locations

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) · 2026-10-02

The investigation underscores how fresh-produce contamination can affect multiple restaurant locations and the importance of ingredient traceability and supplier verification, an adjacent use case for Lumachain. The CDC identified imported jalapeños from a common grower as the li...

Portfolio: Lumachain

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

ECOFERM Consortium Launches to Advance Sustainable Continuous Fermentation for Alternative Proteins

NIZO Food Research · 2026-10-01

NIZO, BFF, DAB.bio, Vivici, dsm-firmenich, and Van Hall Larenstein launched a public-private project to develop continuous fermentation with cell retention and a beta-lactoglobulin demonstrator. This validates investment in process innovations that could lower cost and improve th...

Portfolio: Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Revo Foods expands 3D-printed alternative-protein production as revenue grows

AgFunderNews · 2026-10-01

Revo Foods says its six 3D printers can produce one item every three seconds, H1 2026 sales grew 70% year over year, and it is raising €2 million while targeting profitability in Q3 2027. This is a commercialization and production-scale benchmark for Plantible Foods and the wider...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Cargill and Fiberstar push emulsifiers beyond E471 and gum arabic

Food Ingredients First · 2026-09-29

Cargill described de-oiled lecithin formulations that replace E471 in baked goods, while Fiberstar's Citri-Fi Pro citrus fiber can partially replace gum arabic amid supply pressure and demand for cleaner labels. The shift toward recognizable, multifunctional plant-derived ingredi...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[WATCH] Funding Environment

Those Vegan Cowboys leads €1.3M project on animal-free casein for sports protein

Nutrition Insight · 2026-09-29

A Dutch consortium led by Those Vegan Cowboys secured more than €1.29M in public subsidy for precision-fermented casein, scale-up, consumer research, and sports-nutrition prototypes targeted for commercialization by 2028. The award validates continued public and commercial invest...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

NUNOS raises €570K to turn manure and biogas digestate into higher-value fertilizer
top agrar · 2026-09-23

DLR spin-off NUNOS raised €570,000 to move its manure- and digestate-to-fertilizer system toward market entry, with two more pilot plants planned in 2026 and first commercial systems targeted for 2027. The financing is an adjacent validation of circular nutrient recovery and a us...

Portfolio: Nitricity

[OPPORTUNITY] Research Breakthrough

US$7.5 million project develops multi-task orchard robots
FreshPlaza · 2026-09-23

A Cornell-led, four-year USDA project is putting $7.5 million behind autonomous robots that can pollinate, thin, weed, prune, and harvest apples and cherries, with nine research and industry organizations involved. The multi-season, multi-task model is a strong adjacent validatio...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Lilac Agriculture closes $2.3M seed round for next-generation rhizobium inoculants
Signalbase · 2026-09-22

Lilac Agriculture's oversubscribed $2.3 million seed round, led by Innova, funds field trials of PL11 rhizobium inoculants for peas, lentils, and dry beans and expansion into Canada. The financing signals continued appetite for measurable agricultural biologicals and offers a pee...

Portfolio: IMIO

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Flavor via fermentation reaches new efficiency with AI
FoodNavigator · 2026-09-22

Crush Dynamics and Atomic47 Labs are applying AI digital-twin simulations to fermentation, with a $1.4 million project supported by $607,000 from Protein Industries Canada and an expected 30% energy-cost reduction. This is a useful benchmark for portfolio companies combining upcy...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Research Breakthrough

Novo Nordisk Foundation-Backed React Foods Turns Gases Into Whey & Egg Protein Replacers
Green Queen · 2026-09-22

React Foods spun out of Aarhus University with a 4.2 million kroner convertible loan to scale gas-fermentation technology that converts CO2 and renewable hydrogen into yeast protein. The land-light, weather-resilient route broadens the alternative-protein technology set relevant ...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Research Breakthrough

Cornell-Led Center Gets $7.5 Million to Build Robots for US Orchards
Global Agriculture · 2026-09-21

The USDA-backed $7.5 million Cornell Center of Excellence for Orchard Robotics expands the commercialization pipeline for autonomous pollination, thinning, weeding, pruning, and harvesting. Its mix of computer vision, neural networks, digital twins, and grower partners is directl...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics · Benchmark Labs · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Elian secures €40M to scale EU plant protein production and supply resilience
Food Ingredients First · 2026-09-21

Elian's €40 million investment to expand its Barcelona plant-based protein hub is a strong signal that public capital is backing domestic alternative-protein capacity and supply resilience. It creates a scaling and sourcing benchmark for Plantible Foods and SIMPLi as the portfoli...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Research Breakthrough

A new protein source from fermented mushrooms
Glacier FarmMedia / Producer.com · 2026-09-21

Maia Farms is commercializing mycelium-based protein ingredients grown by fermentation, with large volumes of fungal biomass produced in less than five days. The commercialization signal expands the investable field around scalable, clean-label proteins and gives Plantible Foods ...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

MicroLub raises $10M to cut fat and calories without compromising taste
Tech.eu · 2026-09-17

MicroLub's $10 million round validates investor appetite for ingredient platforms that improve nutrition while preserving taste and texture. Its protein-based microgels, which can reduce fat and calories by up to 75%, are a useful adjacent benchmark for Cultivate Next's ingredien...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Precision fermented olive antioxidant debuts
SupplySide Journal · 2026-09-17

Nova Mentis launched Polyphenol-HT1, a precision-fermented hydroxytyrosol ingredient for supplements and functional foods. The launch is an adjacent proof point that fermentation can commercialize high-value, clean-label ingredients, expanding the opportunity set and partnership ...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

COFIDES invests €40 million in Elian's European plant-protein project
COFIDES · 2026-09-16

COFIDES' €40 million investment in Elian, alongside more than €300 million of plant-protein facility investment, shows public-private capital backing for traceable, lower-impact ingredient production at industrial scale. The planned 100,000-plus tonnes of added capacity and hexan...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Treasure Global's Subsidiary Tadaa Technology Secures US$52 Million Partnership to Deploy AI-Powered Agricultural Supply Chain Platform for Malaysian Government
GlobeNewswire · 2026-09-16

A $52M government-backed deployment of AI supply-chain infrastructure validates demand for real-time inventory, traceability, IoT, and precision-ag data systems. That creates a strong market analogue for Local Line and Lumachain, while also highlighting the scale of public-sector...

Portfolio: Local Line · Lumachain · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Greencovery raises €1M to scale cocoa upcycling technology
Brightlands Venture Partners · 2026-09-14

Greencovery raised €1 million to move cocoa-side-stream separation technology into industrial production, with a further €3 million round being closed and a 1,000-ton capacity target. The move is a concrete signal that circular food ingredients are moving from validation into vol...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Ferm Labs AG Raises €3M As It Breaks the Math on Food Formulation With High-Yield Natural Flavor Ingredients
CDP Venture Capital · 2026-09-14

Ferm Labs' €3 million seed round, led through CDP Venture Capital's Green Transition Fund and including food company Loacker, will expand a whey-upcycling bioprocessing platform for clean-label flavor ingredients. The round validates capital appetite for fermentation, side-stream...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Research Breakthrough

UF launches initiative to support rapid-response research when invasive pests threaten Florida agriculture
UF/IFAS News · 2026-09-14

UF/IFAS TREC launched Challenge 250 to raise $250,000 for rapid-response research and outreach when invasive pests threaten Florida agriculture. The initiative directly strengthens the resilience of specialty-crop supply chains and is relevant to Cultivate Next's UF/IFAS Florida ...

Portfolio: UF/IFAS Florida Avocado

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Gravity Gardens raises €2.6M to scale chemical-free seed activation
EU Business News · 2026-09-11

Gravity Gardens raised €2.6 million to scale dry, chemical-free seed activation equipment and expand crop trials across Europe. The financing is a signal that investors are backing lower-input crop establishment technologies, an adjacent market validation for Clean Crop Technolog...

Portfolio: Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Soufflet Malt and Eat The Truth Partner to Make Grain Fermentation a New Standard in Food
Soufflet Malt · 2026-09-10

Soufflet Malt's strategic partnership with Eat The Truth pairs a 35-malthouse, 20-country production network with fermentation expertise and a 300-plus-partner ecosystem. The initial focus on cocoa and non-alcoholic beverages illustrates how fermentation platforms are moving from...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Bayer and Neste close commercial agreement to jointly scale newgold winter canola for biofuels production
Bayer · 2026-09-09

Bayer and Neste finalized a commercial agreement to expand winter canola in the Southern Great Plains as a lower-carbon feedstock for renewable diesel and sustainable aviation fuel, with high-protein meal flowing into animal feed. The partnership demonstrates how seed genetics, l...

Portfolio: Nitricity · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

MAASH secures over €12 million to accelerate its next phase of growth
BiotechNews.nl · 2026-09-09

European mycoprotein company MAASH raised a €12.15 million package combining equity and public financing to launch a 12 m³ demonstration plant and prepare for industrial production. The round signals that investors and industrial partners are still funding fermentation-derived in...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Research Breakthrough

GFI techno-economic analysis benchmarks fermentation ingredient cost curves
The Good Food Institute · 2026-09-08

The Good Food Institute's analysis puts modeled biomass-protein production costs around $4–$6/kg and identifies feedstock, conversion, and capital efficiency as the key levers for making fermentation ingredients competitive. This gives Cultivate Next a concrete benchmark for dili...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Nourish Ingredients and SD Guthrie partner to scale Creamilux production in Europe
Green Queen · 2026-09-08

Precision-fermentation startup Nourish Ingredients completed a 10-tonne industrial Creamilux run with SD Guthrie in the Netherlands, using existing specialty-lipid infrastructure to target hundreds of tonnes annually. The partnership demonstrates a lower-capital path from validat...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Breedr raises €23M Series B to build a digital record for every cow
FoodTech Weekly · 2026-09-04

Breedr raised €23 million to expand its livestock data platform, which the company says tracks more than two million cattle and supports nearly €428 million in livestock transactions. The round validates demand for persistent animal-level records and connected supply chains, crea...

Portfolio: Lumachain · Local Line · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Paleo raises €2 million in funding to progress precision-fermented myoglobin solutions
The Plant Base · 2026-09-04

Belgian food-tech startup Paleo raised €2 million led by Beyond Impact to scale animal-free, precision-fermented myoglobin and advance North American regulatory submissions. The round is a useful benchmark for Cultivate Next on financing and regulatory de-risking for next-generat...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Backbone raises €4M from Pitchdrive and Belgian food families to bring AI to food safety compliance
Tech Funding News · 2026-09-03

Brussels-based Backbone raised €4 million in pre-seed funding to connect supplier certificates, lab results, specifications, and regulatory records, with food-industry investors Agristo and Darta joining venture backers. The financing validates AI-native compliance and supplier-d...

Portfolio: Lumachain · Local Line · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

MOA Foodtech nets €3.8m to scale AI-powered biomass fermentation platform
AgFunder News · 2026-09-03

MOA Foodtech closed a €3.3 million ($3.8 million) round backed by the European Innovation Council Fund, Swanlaab Innvierte Agri Food Tech, and CDTI-Innvierte to scale AI-powered biomass fermentation from 120,000-L to 225,000-L bioreactors. The round validates investor appetite fo...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[WATCH] Market Momentum

Bayer advances combined seed and crop-protection pipeline toward blockbuster launches
Bayer · 2026-09-02

Bayer says two of its planned crop-science blockbusters are already commercializing, with a genome-edited standable soy, an herbicide-tolerant trait paired with Icafolin, and more than 15 novel crop-protection modes of action in the AI-driven CropKey pipeline. The breadth of the ...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Research Breakthrough

Alternative-protein developers push scale, AI-assisted formulation, and industrial fermentation
Food Engineering · 2026-08-31

Food Engineering reports a 34% year-over-year increase in global launches carrying high-protein or source-of-protein claims, alongside advances in AI-assisted formulation, microbial engineering, and industrial bioreactors. The coverage reinforces the commercial runway for scalabl...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Replenish Nutrients strategic investment from SRC set to accelerate expansion
Proactive via Yahoo Finance · 2026-08-31

Spanish River Carbonatite made a strategic investment in Replenish Nutrients and its CEO joined Replenish’s board, aligning mineral resources with fertilizer production and distribution. The investment is expected to support a planned 150,000-tonne expansion, a useful commerciali...

Portfolio: Nitricity · IMIO

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Corvus Robotics announces $20M in new funding
Robotics 24/7 · 2026-08-27

Corvus Robotics raised $20 million led by Catalyst Investors, with S2G Investments, Spero Ventures, F7 Ventures, and Cibus Capital participating, bringing total funding to $38 million for physical-AI systems in logistics and warehousing. The round signals sustained investor appet...

Portfolio: Lumachain · Local Line · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Solinftec to Launch Ag Robotics' First Amazon Parts Store as U.S. Solix Acreage Grows 15-Fold
American Ag Network · 2026-08-27

Solinftec's Solix platform reached more than 55,000 acres across 13 states and Puerto Rico, with more than 100 robots and reported average chemical-use reductions of 85%; the company expects roughly 200 robots and 80 refill stations for 2027. The combination of field-scale adopti...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

MAASH secures €12.15m to scale industrial mycoprotein production
Bpifrance · 2026-08-26

MAASH assembled €12.15 million through €5.85 million of equity, €4.3 million of Bpifrance support, and a €2 million loan to launch a 12 m³ demonstration plant and prepare for production of up to 10,000 tonnes of mycoprotein annually. The public-private financing package is a stro...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Gatik Scores New $200 Million Investment For Its Driverless Truck Tech
Forbes · 2026-08-25

Gatik raised $200 million in a Series D led by Qatar Investment Authority and Koch Disruptive Technologies to expand autonomous middle-mile routes between distribution centers and stores. Its reported 85,000 driverless orders, 99% on-time delivery, and food-supply-chain deploymen...

Portfolio: Local Line · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Ingredion's Benicaros soluble carrot fiber earns novel food authorization in the EU
Ingredion · 2026-08-25

The European Commission's novel-food authorization expands the addressable market for Ingredion's upcycled, plant-based Benicaros carrot fiber across foods, beverages, and supplements. The move validates regulatory and commercial momentum for functional, clean-label ingredients a...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

TerraClear Launches Weed Mapping for Corn and Soybeans
TerraClear · 2026-08-25

TerraClear made its quarter-inch weed-mapping system commercially available for corn and soybeans, delivering sprayer-ready maps in about 24 hours after mapping more than 1.5 million acres. Its mapping-as-a-service and hardware-plus-subscription models show another route to monet...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Computomics Raises 6.3 Million Euros for AI-Powered Plant Breeding
Startbase · 2026-08-19

The €6.3 million Series B for Computomics shows that capital is still available for data-driven biology that can make crop breeding more climate resilient and commercially deployable. It is a useful market benchmark for Cultivate Next's interest in biological inputs, resilient so...

Portfolio: Nitricity · Greenfield Robotics · IMIO

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

StrainX has raised $13M from the VC Firm behind Impossible Foods in One of the Largest Food Tech Private Funding Rounds in India’s History
SynBioBeta · 2026-08-17

StrainX raised $13 million to scale a precision-fermentation platform for high-value food ingredients, with verified 10,000-liter runs, US self-GRAS for one molecule, and an in-house path from strain engineering through manufacturing. The financing validates investor appetite for...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Research Breakthrough

Pioneering AI Fingerprint Technology to Fight Food Fraud Threat
Fi Global Insights · 2026-08-14

Bia Analytical combines spectroscopy, chemometrics, and AI to authenticate food, detect adulteration, and verify origin in seconds rather than weeks; UK pork processor Cranswick is already using the technology. The signal validates rapid, field-level food-integrity infrastructure...

Portfolio: Clean Crop Technologies · Lumachain · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

ProduceX Partners with Castelo Cold Storage to Bring Agentic AI and Autonomous Workflow to the Fresh Food Supply Chain
EIN Presswire / ProduceX · 2026-08-13

ProduceX and Castelo Cold Storage are deploying an agentic AI operating layer for lot-level traceability, automated quality workflows, instantaneous reporting, and FSMA 204 support in a fresh-food cold-chain environment. The partnership validates growing buyer demand for autonomo...

Portfolio: Lumachain · Local Line · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Veteran agtech Farmbot digs up $22 million Series B for US push
Startup Daily · 2026-08-13

Farmbot's $22 million Series B funds expansion of remote water and asset monitoring for livestock, including satellite-connected sensors for tanks, troughs, dams, pumps, and rainfall. The round signals continued capital formation around practical farm intelligence, resource effic...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs · Lumachain · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Ingredion (INGR) Q2 2026 Earnings Call Transcript
The Motley Fool · 2026-08-11

Ingredion reported 7% volume growth in Texture & Healthful Solutions and more than 40% growth in protein fortification, while highlighting clean label, fiber, texture, sugar reduction and foodservice formulation as active demand areas. The combination validates a strong comme...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Autonomous Tractors: 16 Cameras and No Driver in 2026
Global Brands Magazine · 2026-08-10

John Deere's commercial autonomy upgrade is a visible proof point that camera-based, supervised autonomy is moving from pilots into paid farm operations. It reinforces the market timing for portfolio companies combining robotics, field intelligence, and input optimization, while ...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics · Benchmark Labs · Nitricity

[RISK] Policy Shift

China implements sweeping fertilizer export ban
OilChem · 2026-08-10

China's suspension of phosphate fertilizer exports and tighter controls on urea and compound fertilizers heighten the value of domestic, lower-carbon nitrogen supply and input-efficiency technologies. This creates a timely commercial opening for Nitricity and other portfolio solu...

Portfolio: Nitricity

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

BioScout raises $4.8m for early warning system for fungal pathogens
AgFunderNews · 2026-08-07

BioScout's A$6.75 million seed round validates investor appetite for sensor-plus-AI systems that prevent crop loss before symptoms appear. Its expansion from roughly 250 to 1,000 sensors by 2029 highlights a portfolio adjacency for Benchmark Labs' climate intelligence and Clean C...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Research Breakthrough

Dyadic strengthens non-animal dairy ambitions
Food & Drink Technology · 2026-08-07

Dyadic's new development agreement advances a lower-cost fungal expression platform for non-animal dairy proteins and is designed to accelerate regulatory submissions and market-ready ingredient launches. The move is a useful commercial benchmark for precision fermentation and fu...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Digital twin technology gains ground in food manufacturing
Ingredients Network · 2026-08-06

Unilever is extending its partnership with Accenture to add more than 40 AI-enabled digital twins across its global manufacturing network over the next 18 months, building on models that improve mayonnaise consistency and reduce waste. The move shows that large food companies are...

Portfolio: Lumachain

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Plantible raises $35m in debt, equity, to increase RuBisCO protein production fivefold
AgFunderNews · 2026-08-06

Plantible Foods raised $35 million across a $25 million USDA-backed loan and $10 million of equity to expand its Eldorado, Texas facility, taking Rubi protein capacity fivefold to more than 1,000 metric tons. The financing and customer pipeline validate commercial demand for scal...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Plantible to Increase Protein Production Fivefold Following New USDA-backed Loan
GlobeNewswire · 2026-08-06

Plantible's $25 million USDA-backed loan plus $10 million equity investment will quintuple Rubi Protein production, turning a portfolio technology with FDA GRAS clearance into a more credible scaled ingredient supplier. The financing is a strong signal that public-backed capital ...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Vori, An AI Grocery Startup, Lands $22M To Help Independent Stores
Black Enterprise · 2026-08-06

Vori raised a $22 million Series B to expand an AI operating system that automates inventory management, ordering, pricing, supplier invoices, and payments for independent grocers. The round validates investor demand for practical food-supply-chain workflow software and provides ...

Portfolio: Local Line · Lumachain

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

A new protein contender emerges as whey prices surge
FoodNavigator.com · 2026-08-04

ADM and The Every Company are moving precision-fermented egg-white protein into commercial-scale U.S. manufacturing, while Rich Products is developing bakery, snack, and foodservice applications. The partnership validates buyer demand for scalable, functional, animal-free ingredi...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Ingredion launches AI tool, targets texture at IFT FIRST 2026
FoodNavigator · 2026-08-04

Ingredion launched Ask Ingredion, an AI formulation decision-support tool that helps CPG R&D teams identify, compare, and select ingredient solutions while addressing clean-label, sugar-reduction, protein, fiber, taste, and texture needs. This raises the bar for formulation e...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

ADM, Marfrig Team on Plant-Based Burgers in Brazil
Food Manufacturing · 2026-07-31

ADM and Marfrig are combining ingredient formulation, manufacturing, distribution, and foodservice access to scale plant-based burgers in Brazil. The partnership shows how alternative proteins can move through incumbent supply chains, creating commercial openings for Plantible Fo...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Cultivating Resilience: Benchmark Labs Joins Chipotle's Cultivate Next Portfolio
Benchmark Labs · 2026-07-31

Benchmark Labs' strategic investment from Cultivate Next expands the fund's climate-intelligence thesis beyond physical farm inputs and into hyperlocal weather risk. The capital is intended to accelerate its AI models and grower reach, creating a portfolio capability that can imp...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Palmless by C16 Biosciences Launches First Food Ingredient and Expands Beauty Portfolio
Business Wire · 2026-07-30

C16 Biosciences launched a precision-fermented cocoa-butter equivalent as its first food ingredient, targeting chocolate makers with a more consistent fat profile and supply. The commercial launch at 50,000-liter fermentation scale broadens the proof points for alternative edible...

Portfolio: Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

SCO2 Raises $2.7M to Create High-Value Products from Reclaimed Food Waste
Green Queen · 2026-07-29

SCO2's $2.65 million seed round supports Nextract, an automated supercritical-CO2 platform that turns food waste and underused biomass into proteins, fats, fibers, flavors and other functional ingredients. It reinforces a portfolio-adjacent opportunity for Plantible Foods and Cle...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] News

Patent Spotlight: Nitricity's plasma-powered fertilizer platform
Parola Analytics · 2026-07-23

Highlights Nitricity's shift into commercial-scale manufacturing (1 MW, 100x capacity) and indicates strong demand via fully committed offtake through 2028, strengthening the investment case and potential follow-on financing story.

Portfolio: Nitricity

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

No Whey: How Future Food Startups Are Plugging the Protein Shortage
Green Queen · 2026-06-12

Whey scarcity and pricing pressure creates near-term pull for fermentation-derived and novel plant proteins that can replicate whey functionality—an opening for ingredient innovation and scale partners.

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Turning microbes into meals: The Pentagon seeks alternative proteins to feed troops in the field
Texas Public Radio · 2026-06-11

Defense-driven demand and R&D for fermentation-based proteins signals non-traditional offtake pathways and infrastructure maturation, strengthening the case for fermentation ingredient platforms and biomanufacturing tooling in the fund's thesis.

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[WATCH] Funding Environment

EU-backed Proscale project funds scaling of waste-derived single-cell proteins via continuous fermentation
Green Queen · 2026-06-02

Signals policy-backed scaling capital for fermentation-derived ingredients and circular feedstocks, which can de-risk commercialization pathways and strengthen demand for enabling platforms across alt-protein supply chains.

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[WATCH] Collaborative Move

Ingredion announces strategic partnership with Sanstar Limited
GlobeNewswire (via Stock Titan) · 2026-05-28

Major ingredient players investing in new specialty ingredient capacity underscores ongoing demand for differentiated, functional ingredients—useful context for portfolio companies building novel oils/proteins and for commercialization partners.

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

War-choked fertilizer problem pushes farmers toward human urine
Los Angeles Times · 2026-05-22

A mainstream reporting-driven spike in fertilizer disruption and substitution highlights near-term pull for non-traditional nitrogen pathways (bio-based, waste-derived, microbial) and explicitly name-checks Nitricity, reinforcing demand for resilient, lower-emissions nitrogen sol...

Portfolio: Nitricity · IMIO · Benchmark Labs · Clean Crop Technologies

COLLABORATIVE INTELLIGENCE

[WATCH] Collaborative Move

Bezos Earth Fund backs Yield Lab cattle innovation platform
AgFunderNews · 2026-11-10

The Bezos Earth Fund's one-year, undisclosed grant makes it the catalytic funder of the Yield Lab Institute's Global Cattle Innovation Platform. The platform will select technical partners, define priorities, and prepare its first startup cohort to validate beef and dairy technol...

Portfolio: CH4 Global · Athian

[WATCH] Collaborative Move

Verifone named best-in-class in Javelin's biometric POS scorecard
Javelin Strategy & Research · 2026-11-10

Javelin's Nov. 10 scorecard recognized Verifone as best in class for the Biometric Identity and Payment Platform category, evaluating nine providers across six categories. Its platform integrates POS terminals, biometric authentication, and payment processing, with plans for reus...

Portfolio: PopID

[WATCH] Collaborative Move

Cargill's 2026 report quantifies regenerative and methane programs
Cargill · 2026-11-09

Cargill's report, published Nov. 9, quantifies incumbent investment in regenerative sourcing and methane mitigation: its Coca-Cola/bottler partnership supported practices across 30,000 Mississippi River Basin acres in crop year 2025 and is expected to reach 60,000 acres in 2026; ...

Portfolio: CH4 Global

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Loacker opens global agrifoodtech startup call through its CVC program
Agenzia ANSA · 2026-11-05

Loacker opened an international startup call through a €1 million-per-year corporate venture program, seeking natural fat and sugar alternatives, alternative or functional proteins, and automation or robotics. The call offers possible direct investment, industrial proof-of-concep...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

GIZ, PepsiCo India and Bayer partner to advance climate-resilient maize farming in India
AgroSpectrum India · 2026-11-05

GIZ, PepsiCo India, and Bayer Crop Science launched a three-year program for regenerative maize systems in Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh, aiming to reach 35,000 farmers through research, training, demonstrations, and value-chain engagement. The planned work on soil health, water...

Portfolio: IMIO · Nitricity · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Lantmännen and Ingredion expand Europe’s plant protein capacity with NordPea launch
Food Ingredients First · 2026-11-05

Lantmännen and Ingredion launched NordPea, a pea-protein isolate linked to a €100 million Swedish plant-protein facility designed to process about 40,000 metric tons of peas and fava beans annually; that figure is facility input capacity, not NordPea protein output. The locally s...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[WATCH] Collaborative Move

Bayer and IdeeLab partner to develop biofungicides for Brazilian farmers
AgFunderNews · 2026-11-04

Bayer and Brazil's IdeeLab will work through a 12-month R&D cycle to develop biological crop-protection products. The arrangement highlights incumbent openness to local biotech co-development and commercialization pathways, an adjacent benchmark for IMIO's agricultural-biolog...

Portfolio: IMIO

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

IFCO Scales Reusable Packaging Program for Fresh Produce at Whole Foods Market
The National Law Review · 2026-11-03

Whole Foods is expanding a reusable-produce-container program across its U.S. supply chain after an initial 2022 launch, with nearly 4 million pounds of cardboard avoided. This validates retailer appetite for reverse logistics and supplier coordination, an adjacent opening for Lo...

Portfolio: Local Line

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Puradak Chicken and K3on Robotics Sign MOU to Co-Develop a Physical-AI Cooking Robot
Segye Biz · 2026-11-02

Puradak Chicken's operator, Idus F&B, will provide cooking data and franchise testbeds while Sanwoodeul/K3on Robotics develops hardware and software for a tactile robot to apply seasoning to irregular chicken pieces. The restaurant–robotics MOU signals operator interest in co...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Hwapo Sikdang and Aniai Partner to Deploy Alpha Grill Single for Pork Pre-Grilling
Unicorn Factory · 2026-11-02

Hwapo Sikdang's Songdo branch partnered with Aniai to use Alpha Grill Single for pork pre-grilling, with the article reporting roughly 60% less employee grilling time at that location. The brand's move validates demand for compact, task-specific kitchen automation beyond burger g...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Nestlé and BirdLife Europe & Central Asia partner to measure how regenerative agriculture practices support biodiversity
BirdLife International · 2026-10-29

Nestlé and BirdLife will spend three and a half years comparing regenerative and conventional fields, starting in Spain and Poland, with Belgium joining in 2027, while monitoring birds, butterflies and wild bees. The move validates demand for measurable biodiversity outcomes alon...

Portfolio: IMIO · Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Co-investment in regenerative agriculture: how Royal Canin and Roquette invest in their wheat supply chain
Soil Capital · 2026-10-28

The program covers around 60 French wheat farms and 4,700 hectares, with Soil Capital managing a shared dataset, registry and pre-agreed outcome claims while each buyer uses its own accounting method. This validates demand for independently verified supplier insetting, an adjacen...

Portfolio: Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

PepsiCo and Earthworm Foundation highlight progress in scaling regenerative agriculture across Europe

PepsiCo · 2026-10-28

PepsiCo and Earthworm report more than 250 growers in locally tailored programs across France, Spain and Türkiye, combining supplier networks, agronomic support and crop-specific practices. The scale-up validates multi-party delivery channels for tools such as Benchmark Labs, Gre...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs · Greenfield Robotics · IMIO

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

MITTI LABS & SALESFORCE PARTNER TO SCALE WATER-SAVING RICE FARMING PRACTICES THAT REDUCE METHANE EMISSIONS

Mitti Labs (PR Newswire) · 2026-10-28

Salesforce will purchase 500,000 satellite-verified rice-methane credits from Mitti Labs by 2030 under a five-year offtake, creating a concrete corporate-demand signal for measurable farm-emissions reductions. The field-evidence and crediting model is adjacent to Athian's livesto...

Portfolio: Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Oishii Expands to 500+ U.S. Grocery Locations with Walmart and Regional Retail Launches

Oishii (PR Newswire) · 2026-10-27

Oishii announced launches at 78 Walmart, 84 The Fresh Market and 30 Giant Food stores, plus 34 additional Sprouts locations, taking its footprint to more than 500 U.S. stores by year-end. The retail placements, alongside company-reported production and yield gains, offer a scale-...

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Savor and Helios AI Partner to Build Resilience Into the Future of Fats

Helios AI · 2026-10-27

Savor became a Helios AI customer, using commodity and climate-risk intelligence to quantify exposure in conventional fat and oil supply chains alongside Savor's carbon-derived fats. The pairing validates demand for connecting ingredient alternatives with sourcing-risk evidence a...

Portfolio: Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

TurtleTree and NIZO Partner to Advance Precision-Fermented Lactoferrin for Women's Health

NIZO Food Research · 2026-10-26

TurtleTree and NIZO will run a multi-year program of clinical studies, health-claim substantiation and formulation for precision-fermented lactoferrin LF+; TurtleTree is also relocating its headquarters to the Netherlands to access food-grade pilot facilities and the Food Valley ...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Brevel and The Wave Group Form JV for Illuminated-Fermentation Plant in India

Brevel (PR Newswire) · 2026-10-21

Brevel and The Wave Group signed a 50/50 JV for a $10–15 million, 300,000-liter facility in Uttar Pradesh, funded by Wave and designed to start with clean-label chlorella while supporting other light-driven ingredients. The partners plan to use sugar-mill side streams, linking fe...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Wingstop's plan to reach 10,000 restaurants: A proprietary tech platform scaled globally
Nation's Restaurant News · 2026-10-19

Wingstop's October report describes a proprietary stack across 3,200+ locations and company-reported 50% lower average wait times after a Smart Kitchen rollout that began in 2025, alongside kiosk expansion into three European markets. This is fresh scale evidence for restaurant-t...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

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PurposeEnergy Commissions $40M Ohio Facility Converting Yogurt Residuals to Renewable Energy
PR Newswire · 2026-10-19

Danone's commissioning of a $40M food-residuals digester shows a large food manufacturer funding circular infrastructure for wastewater, biogas, and nutrient recovery. It is a supply-chain model adjacent to the fund's climate and food-systems thesis, not a reported partnership wi...

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Danone strengthens support for British oat farmers through new partnership with LENs
Danone UK · 2026-10-19

Danone's co-funded program across more than 2,500 hectares is fresh evidence that food brands are underwriting regenerative practices across sourcing landscapes, validating a potential channel for portfolio solutions that connect regenerative growers, sourcing, and traceability. ...

Portfolio: SIMPLi

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Erewhon Introduces Organic Fera Fruit Oil from Zero Acre Farms Across All 15 Locations
PRWeb (Zero Acre Farms) · 2026-10-15

Erewhon switched its cafes at all 15 locations to Zero Acre Farms' Organic Fera fruit oil for frying, adding a high-profile food-service adoption to a product already used at more than 800 locations. This is commercial validation for a portfolio ingredient company; no relationshi...

Portfolio: Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Yara backs Stenon in Series B vote of confidence for soil nitrogen intelligence platform
AgTechNavigator · 2026-10-14

Yara Growth Ventures invested in the second close of Stenon's Series B to accelerate its real-time soil-nitrogen intelligence platform. The strategic investment validates demand for precision nutrient measurement and may complement Nitricity's lower-carbon nitrogen supply and IMI...

Portfolio: Nitricity · IMIO

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Yum! Brands executive pushes back against AI hate: Taco Bell drive-thru bot has helped increase employee retention by making jobs easier
Fortune · 2026-10-14

Yum Brands' legal chief said Taco Bell's drive-thru AI eased ordering friction and appeared to help employee retention, while the article gives no retention figures or independent study. The operator's account provides a qualitative validation point for restaurant automation and ...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

PerPlant lands Valtra deal to put its AI crop sensor on tractors straight from the factory
AgFunderNews · 2026-10-14

AGCO-owned Valtra will offer PerPlant's AI sensor factory-fitted on selected tractor lines in Europe, giving precision crop sensing a lower-friction route to farmers. This validates demand for integrated field intelligence relevant to Cultivate Next's adjacent precision-ag and ro...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs · Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Can a Microbe Cover Part of Your Nitrogen Bill? Bayer Is Helping Switch Find Out
AgWeb · 2026-10-13

Bayer's collaboration brings product development, formulation, field testing and commercialization capabilities to Switch Bioworks' engineered-microbe nitrogen technology, validating a strategic route to market for agricultural biologicals. This is relevant to Nitricity and IMIO ...

Portfolio: Nitricity · IMIO

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Exclusive: Yara Growth Ventures backs soil-sensing startup Stenon as fertilizer prices surge
AgFunderNews · 2026-10-12

Yara Growth Ventures took a minority stake in Stenon's Series B, validating demand for real-time soil nitrogen data and recommendations. The strategic investment is an adjacent signal for Nitricity and IMIO: precision nutrient intelligence may complement biological or alternative...

Portfolio: Nitricity · IMIO

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Heritable and Kagome enlist AI to hunt for tomato disease-resistance genes
AgNavigator · 2026-10-08

Kagome's collaboration with Heritable applies AI-driven genomic analysis to disease resistance in tomato breeding, validating customer-backed demand for data-led crop resilience. This creates an opening for Cultivate Next portfolio companies working on seed health and field intel...

Portfolio: Clean Crop Technologies · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

'There is no easy answer': PepsiCo turns to farmer knowledge-sharing to future-proof its potato supply
AgNavigator · 2026-09-30

PepsiCo convened more than 140 growers, suppliers, agronomists and experts from over 35 countries at its Global Agro University and is pairing peer exchange with demonstration farms and a digital knowledge-sharing platform. The model validates farmer-to-farmer resilience support ...

Portfolio: Local Line · Benchmark Labs · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Big Idea Ventures and Mars Petcare select three startups for the 2026 Next Generation Pet Food Program
Mars Global · 2026-09-29

Mars Petcare and Big Idea Ventures selected three startups developing ingredients from spent coffee grounds, insect protein and fats, and upcycled food by-products, with partners including Ingredion, AAK, Bühler, and Givaudan. The pet-food focus is adjacent, but the program valid...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[WATCH] Collaborative Move

FBN and Google AI Futures Fund Partner to Accelerate AI for Agriculture
Farmers Business Network · 2026-09-29

The FBN–Google partnership validates demand for farm-specific AI that connects agronomic, financial, equipment and operational data to actionable decisions. It is an adjacent market signal for Benchmark Labs' location-specific agricultural intelligence; the planned FBN Context En...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Biotech Open Platform inaugurates its biotechnology platform, opening a new chapter for industrial innovation in Europe
Danone · 2026-09-29

Danone, Michelin and four partners have opened an operational fermentation scale-up platform, with more than €20 million invested and capacity up to 15 m³, accessible to startups beyond its founders. This creates a potential food-grade scale-up resource for fermentation-based ing...

Portfolio: Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

New precision fermentation facility opens in France to accelerate ingredient innovation
NutraIngredients · 2026-09-29

Danone, Michelin, DMC Biotechnologies, Crédit Agricole Centre France, Clermont Auvergne Innovation, and Greentech opened the €20M-plus BIOP pilot platform, which provides fermentation, purification, process-validation, and scale-up capacity for startups. The shared infrastructure...

Portfolio: Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Landish Unveils Five-Plant Protein Powder Featuring Plantible Foods's Rubisco
Green Queen Media · 2026-09-29

Landish’s new five-plant protein powder puts Plantible’s duckweed-derived Rubi Protein into a consumer product, combining it with four other plant proteins in a 20g-complete-protein serving. This is a concrete customer-use case for Plantible’s ingredient functionality and taste i...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

New Barn Organics Introduces Buckwheat Milk At Whole Foods Market, Leaning Into The Power Of Regenerative Partnerships
Forbes · 2026-09-28

Whole Foods Market's nationwide exclusive placement of New Barn Organics' Regenerative Organic Certified buckwheat milk shows how retailer distribution, an emerging brand and a crop supply chain can combine to build demand for a regenerative ingredient. It is an adjacent retail-c...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Nestlé teams with dairy supply chain partners to map path to scaling regen ag
FoodNavigator · 2026-09-25

Nestlé’s cross-supply-chain regenerative dairy work, farmer incentives, data collection, and standardized measurement validate the market for portfolio capabilities from Athian, SIMPLi, Benchmark Labs, and CH4 Global. Its emphasis on financing and practical measurement creates a ...

Portfolio: Athian · SIMPLi · Benchmark Labs · CH4 Global

[WATCH] Collaborative Move

Whole Foods Market Unveils the 2026 Local and Emerging Accelerator Program Early Growth Cohort
Business Wire (Whole Foods Market) · 2026-09-24

Whole Foods selected 10 brands from more than 2,000 applicants for a 12-week Local and Emerging Accelerator cohort designed to prepare products for possible shelf placement; participants may also qualify for a $25,000 equity investment. The program validates retailer interest in ...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

MONDELEZ CANADA INVESTS IN CANADIAN FARMERS TO STRENGTHEN AGRICULTURAL SUPPLY CHAINS AND ADVANCE REGENERATIVE AGRICULTURE
Mondelēz Canada (CNW Group) · 2026-09-24

Mondelēz Canada's investment in Area One Farms Fund V shows large food brands deploying capital directly into farmer expansion, infrastructure, precision agriculture, and locally appropriate regenerative practices. This validates an opening for Cultivate Next companies that impro...

Portfolio: Athian · Greenfield Robotics · Benchmark Labs

[WATCH] Collaborative Move

Whole Foods CEO warns supply constraints could hinder organic industry's next $24B
FoodNavigator · 2026-09-18

Whole Foods is reporting organic supply constraints, reducing promotions, seeking producers beyond the US, and calling for better demand forecasting and longer-term supplier commitments. That market tension validates openings for SIMPLi, Local Line, and other portfolio companies ...

Portfolio: SIMPLi · Local Line

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Danone European Entities Recertified Under B Lab's New Standards
Danone Group · 2026-09-18

Danone's September recertification across more than 25 European countries, alongside its disclosure that 79% of milk comes from suppliers using regenerative agriculture practices, shows mission-led sourcing moving into enterprise-wide operating standards. This validates demand fo...

Portfolio: CH4 Global · Athian · Benchmark Labs

[WATCH] Collaborative Move

Everyone agrees rural broadband, and patience, are needed now
Light Reading · 2026-09-17

The FCC's five-year Innovation Zone designation for Iowa State's agricultural testbed, alongside John Deere's edge-computing, satellite-connectivity, and autonomous-tractor deployment, shows that farm automation depends on resilient communications as well as machine intelligence....

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

ADM's Fourth Annual Regenerative Agriculture Report Highlights Growing Resilience Across the Food System
ADM · 2026-09-15

ADM reports regenerative programs spanning 56,000-plus farmers, 4.6 million acres, 11 countries, and about 946,000 metric tons of CO2e reductions, alongside collaborations with PepsiCo, Mars, General Mills, and Walmart. This validates demand for scalable farmer engagement, measur...

Portfolio: Athian · SIMPLi · Local Line

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

General Mills Named to 3BL's 2026 100 Best Corporate Citizens List for 18th Consecutive Year
Business Wire via FinancialContent · 2026-09-15

General Mills reports regenerative agriculture programming across more than 800,000 acres and a 14% reduction in value-chain emissions, reinforcing that scaled buyers are turning regenerative sourcing into operating infrastructure. This validates market pull for Athian's carbon-a...

Portfolio: Athian · SIMPLi · Local Line

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Fyffes sets regenerative agriculture framework across 13,000 hectares
Perishable News · 2026-09-14

Fyffes launched a grower-centered regenerative framework targeting 13,000 hectares of owned banana and pineapple farms by 2030, with supplier-volume goals through 2035 and measurement, reporting, and verification across five impact areas. The move validates buyer demand for pract...

Portfolio: Athian · Nitricity · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Mars and Unreasonable Group welcome 13 ventures to the 2026 Unreasonable Food cohort
Mars · 2026-09-14

Mars and Unreasonable Group selected 13 growth-stage ventures spanning nutrition, ingredient innovation, protein, data, food safety, circularity, and supply-chain resilience. The cohort and the reported outcomes from prior cohorts validate strategic corporate acceleration as a ro...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms · Athian · Local Line

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Our Commitment to Regenerative Agriculture
Whole Foods Market · 2026-09-11

Whole Foods' regenerative-claims policy and review of 464 certified regenerative products show that retailers are formalizing verification and claim governance, not treating regeneration as an informal marketing label. That creates an opening for Athian, SIMPLi, Plantible Foods, ...

Portfolio: Athian · SIMPLi · Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

USSEC and BKP announce new agreement on sustainable soy sourcing
The Cattle Site · 2026-09-11

The U.S. Soybean Export Council and Bangkok Produce Merchandising (a Charoen Pokphand Foods subsidiary) expanded a sustainability MoU covering responsible soy sourcing, traceability, workforce training, and feed-performance trials. The move validates demand for supplier data, tra...

Portfolio: SIMPLi · Local Line · Benchmark Labs · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Whole Foods Market opens applications for its next wave of challenger brands
Retail Gazette · 2026-09-11

Whole Foods Market's latest UK Pitch Day is inviting 54 emerging brands to present to buyers, with explicit interest in locally sourced, organic, special-diet, emerging-trend, and regenerative products. The program is a concrete market-access signal for differentiated portfolio c...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Woolworths, Sea Forest, DIT AgTech and Teys Australia launch commercial SeaFeed methane trial
Woolworths Group · 2026-09-11

Woolworths, Sea Forest, DIT AgTech, and Teys Australia are funding a multi-year commercial-scale trial of SeaFeed, including water-delivered and dry-lick formulations, with independent verification. The collaboration validates the market for scalable seaweed methane solutions and...

Portfolio: CH4 Global · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Grupo Bimbo Reports 73% Growth in Regenerative Agriculture, Reaching More Than 500,000 Hectares
Grupo Bimbo · 2026-09-09

Grupo Bimbo reports 500,000-plus hectares under regenerative practices, up 73% year over year, with more than 570 farmers trained alongside research and milling partners. The scale-up validates continued food-company demand for implementation partners, farmer support, and measure...

Portfolio: SIMPLi · Local Line · Benchmark Labs · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Grupo Bimbo reports 73% growth in Regenerative Agriculture
Grupo Bimbo · 2026-09-09

Grupo Bimbo says its regenerative program surpassed 500,000 hectares, up 73% from 2024, with expansion in Brazil and a first UK program. The scale-up and 2050 goal for all key ingredients to come from regenerative land create a clear opening for Cultivate Next portfolio companies...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics · Nitricity · Athian · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Ingredion outlines specialty-ingredient growth strategy at Barclays conference
Investing.com · 2026-09-08

Ingredion's September strategy update emphasizes higher-growth texture and healthful solutions, with clean-label reformulation, sugar reduction, and protein fortification supporting demand as it prepares for the Tate & Lyle transaction. The move validates continued strategic ...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Danone completes its acquisition of Huel, extending its portfolio in Functional Nutrition
Danone · 2026-09-04

Danone completed its acquisition of Huel, combining Huel's direct-to-consumer community and functional-nutrition range with Danone's global scale and scientific capabilities. The move validates strategic appetite for convenient, plant-based and nutritionally complete formats, cre...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

AgriCapture Partners with Google to Advance Water Stewardship in Texas
AgriCapture · 2026-09-01

AgriCapture's multi-year partnership with Google and the Bonneville Environmental Foundation will transition 6,000 Texas rice acres to water-saving irrigation, with field sensors, flow meters, and geospatial monitoring used to verify more than 5.4 billion gallons of water benefit...

Portfolio: Athian · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Carbon Robotics Launches Carbon Autonomy Ready Program for Autonomous Tractors
The AI Insider · 2026-09-01

Carbon Robotics launched an interoperability program that lets third-party implements communicate with its autonomous tractor platform; Great Plains Manufacturing is the first partner, with real-time adjustment of depth, down pressure, and leveling planned for demonstrations at t...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Deere Launches AI Assistant Named JD to Guide Farmers' Choices
Bloomberg · 2026-09-01

John Deere introduced an AI assistant in its Operations Center app that uses field data from planting, treatment, and harvest operations to guide decisions such as fertilizer application. The move validates a shift toward field-specific decision intelligence and creates a referen...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs · Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Sysco to disclose efforts to reduce supply-chain deforestation
Green Century · 2026-09-01

Sysco agreed to expand reporting on no-deforestation efforts across own-brand and other material forest-risk commodities after engagement from Green Century. The move signals that large food distributors are being pushed toward traceable sourcing and supplier-risk disclosure, cre...

Portfolio: SIMPLi · Local Line · Benchmark Labs · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

WAVE Aconcagua Partnership formed to tackle water stress in Chile
iGrow News · 2026-08-28

The WAVE Aconcagua Partnership brings growers, exporters, retailers, and public institutions together across roughly 5,000 cultivated hectares and 11,000 hectares of conservation area, pairing regenerative practices with monitoring and water-resilience pilots. The buyer-to-farm c...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs · Athian · UF/IFAS Florida Avocado

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

AI-driven breeding partnership aims to build climate-resilient cotton
Global Agriculture · 2026-08-27

Better Cotton Initiative and Avalo are combining AI, data, genetics, and grower enrollment to accelerate climate-resilient cotton varieties, including U.S. grower trials and digital reporting. The partnership validates demand for field-level decision tools and measurable climate-...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs · Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

GUSS Automation, a wholly owned John Deere subsidiary, plans to advance precision autonomy with Ouster digital lidar
Yahoo Finance (Business Wire) · 2026-08-26

John Deere subsidiary GUSS Automation's planned integration of Ouster lidar into autonomous orchard and vineyard machines shows incumbent equipment channels are deepening partnerships around perception, mapping, and driverless field operations. The move validates the market direc...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

REPAY Partners with NxtEdge by DiningEdge to Deliver Embedded AP Payments for Hospitality and Food & Beverage Operators
Business Wire · 2026-08-26

REPAY and NxtEdge are embedding AP payments into an inventory-management platform used by restaurants, hotels, resorts, clubs, and hospitality groups, connecting invoice automation with payment execution. The partnership validates integrated, workflow-level infrastructure in food...

Portfolio: Local Line · Lumachain

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Danone aims to reduce sugar and increase regenerative agriculture by 2030
RetailDetail · 2026-08-24

Danone is raising its 2030 sustainability ambition and plans to source nearly half of its key ingredients from regenerative agriculture. That procurement signal validates demand for measurable soil, nitrogen, and emissions solutions and creates a strategic opening for Cultivate N...

Portfolio: Nitricity · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Murphy USA Rolls Out Autonomous Foodservice
National Association of Convenience Stores · 2026-08-24

Murphy USA is beginning a rollout of an autonomous foodservice platform developed by Automated Retail Technologies, with White Castle as the initial branded food partner in select larger-format stores. The move validates a format where restaurant brands can extend distribution th...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Sysco Puts AI Under Board Oversight, Targets $100 Million in Savings
Distribution Strategy · 2026-08-20

Sysco has put AI and automation under formal board oversight and tied the program to a stated $100 million savings target, while expanding foodservice distribution technology ahead of its proposed Jetro Restaurant Depot acquisition. The move validates enterprise willingness to fu...

Portfolio: Lumachain · Hyphen · Local Line

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

As Europe bakes, momentum grows for climate-resilient farming
Reuters · 2026-08-19

Reuters documents a widening coalition of banks, insurers, water companies, retailers, and food producers using pooled funds, incentives, technical advice, and insurance to finance regenerative farming. That cross-sector model validates demand for measurable farm outcomes and cre...

Portfolio: Athian · Benchmark Labs · Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

How KFC and Taco Bell's top technologist is embracing AI and automation across 63,000 restaurants
Fortune · 2026-08-19

Yum Brands is applying a data-forward automation layer across its restaurant network, including a Pizza Hut workflow that waits for stronger driver availability before starting production and has produced hotter deliveries and a meaningful customer-satisfaction lift. The move val...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Applegate Expands Regenerative Sourcing with New Programmes
Sustainability Magazine · 2026-08-17

Applegate's new Groundwork and Regenerative Health initiatives combine supplier resilience investments, farmer partnerships, soil-health measurement, and research into the relationship between farming practices and nutrient composition. The buyer-led model validates demand for po...

Portfolio: SIMPLi · Local Line · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Our Mission
Sweetgreen · 2026-08-14

Sweetgreen's updated mission page spotlights a network of regional growers and suppliers, including farms using regenerative practices and integrated pest management. The peer-brand signal validates continued demand for transparent, relationship-driven sourcing and creates an ope...

Portfolio: Local Line · SIMPLi

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BASF Agricultural Solutions Invests in New Climate Center at Its Headquarters to Strengthen Research Capabilities
BASF · 2026-08-12

BASF Agricultural Solutions is investing a low double-digit million-euro amount in a climate-controlled research center to generate GLP-compliant ecotoxicology data for crop-protection registrations. The investment signals that regulatory-grade evidence, environmental testing, an...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs · Clean Crop Technologies · Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Whole Foods Market 2025 Impact Report highlights climate-smart agriculture and regenerative sourcing
LinkedIn · 2026-08-12

Whole Foods' 2025 impact reporting highlights deeper investment in climate-smart agriculture, alternative manure management with dairy suppliers, regenerative farming across its supply chain, and ecosystem restoration. The move validates market demand for measurable soil, livesto...

Portfolio: Athian · CH4 Global · IMIO · Benchmark Labs · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Carbon neutral by 2027 - Sweetgreen
Sweetgreen · 2026-08-07

Sweetgreen's supplier-level carbon assessments, carbon-impact menu evaluation, and stated investments in soil health and regenerative agriculture validate demand for measurable farm-level emissions and sourcing infrastructure. Athian, SIMPLi, Greenfield Robotics, and CH4 Global c...

Portfolio: Athian · SIMPLi · Greenfield Robotics · CH4 Global

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Whole Foods Market Partners With National Young Farmers Coalition To Launch $1 Million Next Generation Farmer Fund
Forbes · 2026-08-07

Whole Foods and the National Young Farmers Coalition are mobilizing at least $1 million for grants to emerging farmers, with Whole Foods matching contributions up to $500,000 and targeting organic and regenerative operators. The move validates a growing market for farmer-transiti...

Portfolio: Local Line · SIMPLi · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Whole Foods Market and National Young Farmers Coalition Launch Next Generation Farmer Fund to Support the Future of American Agriculture

Whole Foods Market · 2026-08-07

Whole Foods Market and the National Young Farmers Coalition launched a $1 million-plus fund for beginning farmers under 40 who are adopting climate-smart and environmentally sustainable practices, with Whole Foods matching partner contributions up to $500,000. The program validat...

Portfolio: Local Line · SIMPLi · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Nestlé invests in regeneratively farmed wheat for KitKat

Ingredients Network · 2026-08-05

Nestlé is paying a premium for Wildfarmed wheat, using a 51% regenerative-wheat blend in UK KitKat production and signaling an intent to increase the share over time. The move validates large-brand willingness to fund regenerative supply, creating an opening for Cultivate Next co...

Portfolio: SIMPLi · Local Line · Athian

[WATCH] Collaborative Move

Eftpos NZ launches biometric-ready terminals for future face and palm payments

Biometric Update · 2026-08-03

Eftpos New Zealand launched Verifone's Victa payment platform with hardware ready for face and palm authentication, and Verifone has said its PopID-developed technology will be part of the portfolio. The terminals are not yet supported by live biometric-payment infrastructure in ...

Portfolio: PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Inside Wingstop's Quest to Become a Top Global Restaurant Brand

QSR Magazine · 2026-08-03

Wingstop's Smart Kitchen rollout shows restaurant operators are scaling software that links production, ticket routing, labor deployment, and timing into a repeatable operating layer. That validates the market pull for portfolio technologies such as Hyphen and Lumachain that impr...

Portfolio: Hyphen · Lumachain

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Rewrite the future of food with us

Sweetgreen · 2026-07-31

Sweetgreen's commitment to carbon neutrality by the end of 2027, supplier support, and formal carbon-impact measurement validates demand for practical traceability and emissions tools. Athian, SIMPLi, Local Line, and Zero Acre Farms could fit into the supplier, ingredient, and me...

Portfolio: Athian · SIMPLi · Local Line · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Associated Grocers Northeast Selects ReposiTrak to Launch Traceability Program

Business Wire · 2026-07-28

Associated Grocers Northeast selected ReposiTrak's network to collect, validate, and exchange supplier traceability data, link supplier records to distribution-center movement, and support FSMA readiness. The deployment validates the importance of supplier onboarding, data mappin...

Portfolio: Local Line · Lumachain

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Walmart, General Mills and ADM launch 40,000-acre regenerative agriculture wheat program
Yahoo Finance · 2026-07-26

A large-scale regen-ag wheat program led by major buyers validates demand for measurable soil-health outcomes and creates pathways for enabling tech (soil biology, measurement, sourcing transparency) from the Cultivate Next portfolio.

Portfolio: IMIO · Athian · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Whole Foods expands regenerative certification pathway with new SCI standard
AgFunderNews · 2026-07-25

Whole Foods' move to widen on-ramps to regenerative certification further validates market demand for verifiable regen practices and measurement, which can expand adoption and data-driven compliance opportunities for Cultivate Next's ag + supply chain portfolio.

Portfolio: Local Line · Lumachain · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

ADM, General Mills and Walmart partnering to bring more regenerative practices to Indiana wheat fields
Brownfield / WZBD · 2026-07-23

Large CPG/retail collaboration to incentivize reduced tillage, cover crops, and fertilizer efficiency across 40,000 wheat acres validates growing demand for measurable regenerative transitions and third-party/field-level verification.

Portfolio: Athian · Local Line

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

General Mills, ADM, Walmart expand regenerative wheat partnership
High Plains Journal · 2026-07-23

Major CPG/retail/commodity players scaling regenerative incentives across 40,000 wheat acres validates enterprise demand for measurable regen outcomes, opening channels for enabling tech: farmer onboarding, traceability, MRV, and low-carbon inputs.

Portfolio: Local Line · Nitricity · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

General Mills, ADM, and Walmart launch regenerative wheat initiative covering 40,000 Midwest acres with incentives and technical assistance
Milling Journal · 2026-07-23

Validates scaled buyer-driven incentives for regenerative practice adoption—an opening for tools that verify outcomes, de-risk adoption, and improve traceability across supply chains.

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

General Mills, ADM, Walmart Partner to Accelerate Regenerative Agriculture Across 40,000 Midwest Wheat Acres
MarketScreener · 2026-07-21

Validates mainstream demand for regenerative adoption programs that bundle technical support (and incentives in parallel coverage), increasing whitespace for enabling tech and measurement providers across the portfolio.

Portfolio: Athian · Greenfield Robotics

[WATCH] Collaborative Move

Whole Foods Market Foundation Announces $2.2M To Fund Projects in Ghana and the United States
Morningstar (ACCESS Newswire) · 2026-07-21

Whole Foods' philanthropic funding into scratch-cooked school meals, garden-based learning networks, and input-loans for smallholder farmers signals continued investment in nutrition and resilient food systems—creating partnership white space for tech-enabled traceability and sup...

Portfolio: Local Line · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Leaps By Bayer backs Sabanto to bring 'practical autonomy to more farms'
AgFunderNews · 2026-07-14

Leaps by Bayer leading Sabanto's Series B round signals sustained strategic demand for practical farm autonomy and retrofit solutions, validating the investment thesis around labor-saving automation in agriculture. It highlights a corporate channel (Bayer/Leaps) that could accele...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Syngenta and Groundwork BioAg enter partnership to market mycorrhizal technology with soil carbon program
Business Wire (via Yahoo Finance) · 2026-07-14

Syngenta commercializing Groundwork BioAg's mycorrhiza + carbon program under its own label signals major incumbent pull for biological inputs bundled with farmer monetization via carbon credits. This validates portfolio-adjacent plays at the intersection of bio-inputs, MRV, and ...

Portfolio: Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Whole Foods Market formalizes its regenerative agriculture claims policy, approving a set of certifications
Organic Insider · 2026-05-31

Retailers acting as de facto standard-setters for regenerative claims signals rising demand for verification infrastructure and farmer enablement, creating openings for portfolio companies supporting traceability, measurement, and practice adoption.

Portfolio: Athian · Local Line

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

5 CPG brands fueling the regenerative agriculture surge
FoodNavigator-USA · 2026-05-26

CPG brands scaling Regenerative Organic Certified and broader regenerative sourcing (including SAI's Regenerating Together program) indicates demand is shifting from marketing to procurement requirements. This validates portfolio enablers of regenerative supply chains and could c...

Portfolio: SIMPLi · Lumachain · Benchmark Labs

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[WATCH] M&A Activity

DoorDash to Acquire Instacart in Approximately $17 Billion Deal
DoorDash Investor Relations · 2026-10-29

DoorDash's definitive agreement to buy Instacart for about $17 billion would pair its delivery network with Instacart's grocery-fulfillment technology, retailer relationships and advertising tools. The pending deal is a platform-consolidation signal for local food commerce that m...

Portfolio: Local Line

[WATCH] M&A Activity

Lindsay adds Brazilian Hose Reel Irrigation expertise through Setorial deal
AgroSpectrum Asia · 2026-10-27

Lindsay agreed to acquire Brazil's Setorial, adding hose-reel irrigation and pumps to its mechanized-irrigation portfolio. This extends water-management choices into smaller or irregular fields and may create channel openings for Benchmark Labs' irrigation and weather decision su...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs

[WATCH] M&A Activity

Mérieux NutriSciences Completes Acquisition of Certified Group, Becoming North America's Leading Food Testing Provider
Mérieux NutriSciences · 2026-10-21

The Oct. 21 close brings 31 laboratories, more than 1,600 employees, and 170+ regulatory consultants into Mérieux's U.S.-Canada network. A scaled food-testing and compliance provider could be a partnership or benchmark ecosystem for Lumachain's traceability stack, but the announc...

Portfolio: Lumachain

[OPPORTUNITY] M&A Activity

BTG acquires majority stake in Freshket, venturing into FoodTech to expand food e-commerce and target the HORECA market
Money & Banking Magazine · 2026-10-20

Betagro's majority investment in Freshket combines a food group's logistics and product base with a digital HORECA marketplace connecting growers and producers with restaurants. Freshket reports 10,000+ products and 20,000+ active businesses, validating digital procurement and co...

Portfolio: Local Line

[OPPORTUNITY] M&A Activity

Source.ag acquires Optimal, the London AI startup that puts greenhouses on autopilot
Source.ag · 2026-10-09

Source.ag's acquisition combines greenhouse crop forecasting and irrigation automation with Optimal's autonomous climate control, illustrating strategic consolidation and potential value capture in agricultural AI. The deal is an exit-market signal for Cultivate Next's agtech por...

[OPPORTUNITY] M&A Activity

Neggst's Plant-Based Egg Technology Heads to LIVEKINDLY Collective Through Greenforce Deal
vegconomist · 2026-10-01

Greenforce acquired Neggst's plant-based egg technology and patent portfolio; the deal is linked to Greenforce's pending acquisition by LIVEKINDLY Collective. This is an alternative-protein consolidation and strategic-scale pathway to watch for Plantible Foods, not a direct portf...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Robigo and Leaps by Bayer Announce Series A Financing to Advance Engineered Biologicals That Protect Yields and Reduce Costs

Bayer · 2026-09-17

Leaps by Bayer's Series A financing for Robigo shows strategic capital continuing to back engineered microbial crop-protection platforms. The company's under-20-month development timeline and targeted 2028/2029 launches reinforce the opportunity for Cultivate Next to support biol...

Portfolio: Nitricity · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] M&A Activity

xFarm Technologies expands to sugarcane and biofuels with Sibium Analytics acquisition

AgFunderNews · 2026-09-15

xFarm's acquisition of Brazilian agtech Sibium Analytics adds geospatial crop mapping, ESG/traceability certification, and business-intelligence tools to a farm-management platform spanning 24 million hectares and more than 600,000 farms. The deal is a useful exit-market signal f...

Portfolio: Local Line · Athian · Benchmark Labs · SIMPLi

[WATCH] M&A Activity

Hain Celestial Enters Into Definitive Agreement to Sell International Business

Hain Celestial Investor Relations · 2026-09-14

Hain Celestial agreed to sell most of its International business to AURELIUS for an estimated $323 million, with expected net proceeds of $305–$310 million earmarked for debt reduction and a more focused North American portfolio. The transaction is a useful exit-market comparable...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] M&A Activity

Biorsaf raises €5.2m led by P101 and buys Cooki

AixPoint · 2026-09-11

Biorsaf's €5.2 million round and acquisition of Cooki combine food-safety compliance software with a product-information platform serving more than 450 Italian towns and 1,000-plus users. The transaction is a useful exit and consolidation signal for Cultivate Next's food-supply-c...

Portfolio: Local Line · Lumachain

[OPPORTUNITY] M&A Activity

Biorsaf raises €5.2M and acquires Cooki to expand food-safety software

Startbase · 2026-09-10

Italian food RegTech company Biorsaf raised €5.2 million and acquired Cooki, adding traceability, labeling, food costing, inventory, and allergen-control capabilities to its AI-based food-safety platform. The combination is a market signal that fragmented compliance and food-qual...

Portfolio: Lumachain · Local Line · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] M&A Activity

Food production M&A accelerates as strategic buyers and distressed assets reshape the sector

Capstone Partners · 2026-09-09

Capstone Partners reports 108 announced or closed food-production transactions through YTD 2026, up 21.3% year over year, with strategic-led activity up 29.2% and vertical integration continuing across produce and other supply chains. The stronger buyer market and growing pool of...

Portfolio: UF/IFAS Florida Avocado · Local Line

[OPPORTUNITY] M&A Activity

Barilla snaps up Goodles mac and cheese business
Just Food via Yahoo Finance · 2026-09-03

Barilla acquired U.S. better-for-you mac-and-cheese brand Goodles, retaining its management team and standalone operation; terms were not disclosed. The deal is a fresh strategic-buyer signal for differentiated, plant-forward and nutrient-positioned food brands, offering an exit ...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] M&A Activity

Chobani announces approximately $1.2B investment in Allentown manufacturing campus
PR Newswire · 2026-09-01

Chobani plans to invest approximately $1.2 billion over five years, acquire and convert a 1.5-million-square-foot KDP facility in Pennsylvania, and add more than 900 jobs. The transaction is a market signal that scaled food brands are willing to make major domestic manufacturing ...

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

First Bayer milestone payment received for mustard-based biocontrol
BNN Bloomberg · 2026-08-24

Bayer's first milestone payment to MustGrow under an EMEA soil-biologicals license shows strategic crop-science buyers are willing to fund and commercialize validated biocontrol platforms. It is a useful partnering and exit benchmark for IMIO and Clean Crop Technologies as biolog...

Portfolio: IMIO · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] M&A Activity

PrepWizard, a Leading Automated Food Prep Labeling Platform for Restaurants, Receives Strategic Investment from 404 Endeavors
Business Wire via Yahoo Finance · 2026-08-24

404 Endeavors made a strategic investment in PrepWizard, a cloud-based food-prep labeling and digital operations platform used across tens of thousands of restaurant locations. The transaction is a concrete market-validation and potential exit benchmark for restaurant workflow so...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] M&A Activity

Pluri's Ever After Foods Expands Cultivated-Protein Platform Through Fishway Acquisition and Strategic Investment
GlobeNewswire (Pluri) · 2026-08-17

Cultivated-protein platform Ever After Foods acquired Fishway, adding aquatic cell lines, animal-component-free media expertise, and a European scientific team, while securing an additional $2 million strategic investment. The combination shows the sector moving toward integrated...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] M&A Activity

Eatable Adventures launches accelerator: AgriFood Signals
AgFunderNews · 2026-08-06

LIVEKINDLY Collective's reported US$7.2 million acquisition of Dalco to expand European manufacturing is a concrete alternative-protein M&A datapoint, while Eatable Adventures' NOVO accelerator is channeling AI, biotech and robotics into agrifood. Together, the moves support ...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[WATCH] M&A Activity

Wild Bio acquires F1 Seed, ADM Capital raises $48m - Tridge
Tridge · 2026-07-30

The agrifood deal roundup highlights Wild Bio's acquisition of F1 Seed to create an independent precision-breeding wheat business, alongside a $48 million ADM Capital raise for climate-smart land use in Indonesia. These transactions reinforce investor and strategic-buyer appetite...

Portfolio: IMIO · Benchmark Labs · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] M&A Activity

Ingredion's £2.7B Tate & Lyle deal wins shareholder approval
Food Ingredients First · 2026-07-29

Large-scale consolidation in specialty ingredients underscores strategic value of texture, sweetening, and fortification capabilities—positive read-through for differentiated ingredient platforms and potential strategic acquirers.

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[WATCH] M&A Activity

Wild Bioscience Ltd acquires F1 Seed Ltd to create Britain's first independent precision-breeding wheat business
Wild Bioscience · 2026-07-28

Wild Bio's acquisition of F1 Seed is a market signal that AI-led trait discovery is increasingly being paired with commercial breeding and distribution assets. The end-to-end model is relevant to Cultivate Next's interest in scalable agricultural resilience and provides a useful ...

[WATCH] M&A Activity

Agriculture Agribusiness & AgTech M&A Transactions - InforCapital
inforcapital.com · 2026-06-28

Signals direction of adoption/regulation that could accelerate pilots, procurement, or commercial traction for Cultivate Next portfolio companies.

[OPPORTUNITY] M&A Activity

Ingredion announces recommended all-cash acquisition of Tate & Lyle
Ingredion Incorporated (Investor Relations) · 2026-06-08

Scaled strategic M&A in specialty ingredients (texture, sweetening, fortification) signals continued consolidation and demand for platform-scale ingredient solutions—creating potential strategic acquirers/partners for ingredient-focused portfolio companies.

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms · SIMPLi

[OPPORTUNITY] M&A Activity

Ingredion strikes deal to buy Tate & Lyle for $3.6B
Food Dive · 2026-06-08

Major ingredient supplier consolidation signals strategic premium for specialty ingredient companies — validates the value of Cultivate Next's ingredient portfolio (SIMPLi, Plantible Foods, Zero Acre Farms).

Portfolio: SIMPLi · Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] M&A Activity

AgFunderNews: Elbit acquires Bluewhite as it deepens push into AI robotics (agtech M&A roundup)

AgFunderNews · 2026-05-28

Strategic buyers expanding into autonomous farm robotics suggests an improving exit pathway and acquisition appetite for field automation—relevant to robotics-enabled portfolio trajectories.

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

FUND & BRAND

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

IFC Partners with Tolbi to Expand Access to Finance and Markets for Smallholder Farmers in West Africa

IFC · 2026-11-04

IFC announced an investment partnership with GAFSP BIFT to expand Tolbi's AI-enabled precision-agriculture services in Senegal, aiming to reach 2 million farmers and cooperatives by 2030. The combination of satellite and field monitoring, agronomic advice, and finance and market ...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs · Local Line

[WATCH] Market Momentum

CHIPOTLE ANNOUNCES THIRD QUARTER 2026 RESULTS

Chipotle Newsroom · 2026-10-28

Chipotle reported positive transaction growth for a third consecutive quarter and progress on high-efficiency equipment, while continuing global expansion. The operating-scale opportunity is relevant to Hyphen's kitchen automation; cost and margin pressures make throughput and un...

Portfolio: Hyphen

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

IMIO Raises $12 Million to Bring Biologicals to More Farms

IMIO · 2026-10-20

IMIO announced a $12 million round led by Sofinnova Partners, with Cultivate Next and Grow Together among the backers, to build Chicago lab and biomanufacturing capacity for its crop biologicals. The funding can expand portfolio scale, while broader field performance and adoption...

Portfolio: IMIO

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Molagri raises $5.8m to build 'updatable' biopesticides

AgFunderNews · 2026-10-14

Molagri raised $5.8 million to develop precision biopesticides based on engineered virus-like particles, with initial targets in tree nuts and fruit. The financing signals investor interest in more targeted crop-protection tools adjacent to the fund's agricultural-technology thes...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

OlsAro closes €5m seed investment to scale climate-resilient cereal genetics
GU Ventures AB · 2026-10-14

OlsAro's €5m seed round, led by Industrifonden and Nordic Foodtech VC, will scale a cereal-genetics platform and advance salt-, drought- and nitrogen-use-efficiency traits. It validates investor appetite for climate-resilient crop innovation, an adjacent market signal for Benchma...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

France's Edonia Nets $16.8M to Ramp Up Production of Ground Spirulina Protein
Green Queen · 2026-10-07

Edonia's €15 million ($16.8 million) raise, €30 million in pre-orders from 20 industry players, and plan to open an industrial-scale plant within a year indicate investor and buyer support for commercial-scale microalgal protein. This is an adjacent commercialization benchmark fo...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Market Momentum

Brassica to celebrate Indianapolis Fashion Mall opening
Indianapolis Monthly · 2026-10-02

Brassica announced an October 9 grand opening at Indianapolis's Fashion Mall, extending the portfolio brand into another local market. The opening is a tangible expansion milestone, while its sales and longer-term unit economics remain unknown.

Portfolio: Brassica

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Exclusive: FOOD FOUNDERS Studio secures new funding to build its next two foodtech ventures
AgFunderNews · 2026-09-30

FOOD FOUNDERS Studio raised an oversubscribed €4 million round to build two new B2B foodtech startups, focusing on taste, texture, affordability, and nutrition. The financing signals continued capital for ingredient innovation adjacent to Plantible Foods' protein platform and Zer...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Collaborative Move

Tesco commits £20 million to Henry Dimbleby's Bramble food innovation fund
Reuters · 2026-09-24

Tesco's £20 million anchor commitment to Bramble Fund I, a fund targeting healthier, more sustainable, and more affordable food, is a strong validation of corporate-retailer capital and testbed support for food-system startups. The model creates a potential route for Cultivate Ne...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms · Local Line

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

COFIDES invests €25 million in SWEN Terra to accelerate the transition to regenerative agriculture in Spain
COFIDES · 2026-09-21

COFIDES committed €25 million to SWEN Terra, a €200 million target fund that plans to allocate at least €50 million to Spanish projects supporting regenerative farms and sustainable agrifood businesses. The institutional commitment is a useful benchmark for the growing pool of tr...

Portfolio: SIMPLi · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Alternative proteins: Why investors still see potential
DairyReporter · 2026-09-17

Overall alternative-protein venture investment fell to €306 million in the first half of 2026, but European precision-fermentation and biomass-fermentation funding rose to €100 million and €99 million respectively. The shift toward fewer, larger fermentation rounds validates Cult...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[RISK] Funding Environment

Alternative proteins have disappointed investors – but it's not the end
FoodNavigator · 2026-09-17

Bain's performance analysis, cited by FoodNavigator, frames alternative proteins as an underperforming category after nearly $20 billion of global investment, while identifying renewed interest in precision-fermented dairy proteins. This is a cautionary capital signal: Cultivate ...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

European alternative protein investment rises 56%: the Amsterdam connection
I amsterdam · 2026-09-15

European alternative-protein companies raised €236 million in private investment in the first half of 2026, up 56% year over year, with fermentation taking 84% of the total. The concentration of capital in fewer, larger fermentation deals is a useful benchmark for Cultivate Next'...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

NSF AgTech Engine in North Dakota launches startup seed fund for early-stage innovation
American Ag Network · 2026-09-15

The NSF AgTech Engine in North Dakota launched a non-dilutive Startup Seed Fund offering up to $50,000 per selected company, with priority areas spanning water/resource resilience, intelligent operations, regenerative systems/crop protection, and quality/nutrition. The program br...

Portfolio: Nitricity · Greenfield Robotics · Athian · Benchmark Labs · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

European agrifood tech gets €30m boost amid early funding challenges
The Brussels Times · 2026-09-14

The European Investment Fund's commitment of up to €30 million to Nordic Foodtech VC Fund II, targeting roughly 30 pre-seed and seed companies, signals continued institutional support for sustainable agrifood and biosolutions despite a difficult early-stage market. It creates a c...

Portfolio: Nitricity · Greenfield Robotics · CH4 Global · Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

UMass Amherst Launches Historic, Transformational $120 Million Future of Food Initiative
UMass Amherst · 2026-09-14

UMass Amherst's $120 million initiative will build a 36,000-square-foot food innovation hub and fund research spanning novel foods, soil cultivation, food safety, AI/robotics-enabled production, and food entrepreneurship. The scale of public, university, and philanthropic backing...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Nitricity · Greenfield Robotics · CH4 Global

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Farm Credit Canada launches $1 billion Agri-food Project Finance initiative
Farm Credit Canada (via CNW) · 2026-09-14

Farm Credit Canada opened a 60-day process for a new $1 billion financing initiative for construction-ready Canadian food-processing and manufacturing projects. The commitment is a useful funding-environment signal for Cultivate Next: domestic processing capacity and value-added ...

Portfolio: Local Line · SIMPLi · Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Greenfield Robotics Opens Public Offering After Six Years and 82 Robots in the Field
Business Insider · 2026-09-11

Cultivate Next portfolio company Greenfield Robotics opened a U.S. Regulation A+ offering after deploying 82 robots across 16 states and delivering a sold-out 2026 season. The milestone is a strong commercialization and alternative-financing signal for agricultural robotics, with...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

EIF backs Nordic Foodtech VC with €30M to scale Europe’s agrifood deeptech
Tech.eu · 2026-09-10

The European Investment Fund committed up to €30 million to Nordic Foodtech VC Fund II, an €80 million target vehicle focused on pre-seed and seed agrifood, food, aquaculture, health, and biosolutions startups. The commitment is a positive signal for early-stage capital availabil...

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Innovation Saskatchewan Renews Support for AGTECH ACCELERATOR with $300,000 Investment
Innovation Saskatchewan · 2026-09-10

Innovation Saskatchewan’s $300,000, three-year commitment funds three more agtech cohorts and pairs capital access with mentorship and industry connections. The continued public-private accelerator support signals a durable pipeline-building environment for early-stage agricultur...

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Tellia raises $5M for voice AI that captures farm data in the field
Startbase · 2026-09-08

Tellia closed a $5 million pre-seed round for a voice interface that turns field observations, messages, photos, and calls into structured data in existing farm systems. The financing highlights a growing interface layer for agricultural software and creates a relevant comparator...

Portfolio: Local Line · Benchmark Labs · Lumachain

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

The FoodTech 500 Alumni News Round-up (September 2026 edition)
Forward Fooding · 2026-09-08

The September roundup shows selective capital returning across food-supply-chain finance, visibility and analytics, animal-free ingredients, and alternative-protein commercialization. These financings provide comparables and partnership signals for Local Line, SIMPLi, and Plantib...

Portfolio: Local Line · SIMPLi · Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

CAAIN awards $4.2 million to five agtech innovators
The Grower · 2026-09-04

Canada's Agri-Food Automation and Intelligence Network awarded C$4.3 million across five projects spanning robotic strawberry thinning, AI cucumber harvesting, smart packhouse automation, and controlled-environment crop management. CAAIN reports that more than half of 30 complete...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics · Benchmark Labs · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Uplift Ventures launches €100m deep-tech fund focused on physical AI and industrial scale
AixPoint · 2026-09-03

Uplift Ventures launched a €100 million fund targeting late-seed and Series A European deep-tech companies, including physical AI and logistics, where startups face a gap between prototype and industrial scale. The thesis is directly relevant to capital-intensive food, farm, and ...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics · Hyphen · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Protein Industries Canada invests $4.9M in two AI agri-food projects
GlobeNewswire via Digital Journal · 2026-09-02

Protein Industries Canada announced $4.9 million for two AI projects, including up to $2.2 million from the cluster, focused on earlier crop-disease risk detection and safer, more accurate grain storage. The public-private co-investment is a signal that applied farm intelligence ...

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs · Greenfield Robotics · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Europe's alternative-protein sector sees 56% bump in funding in 2026
Green Queen Media · 2026-08-31

Green Queen, citing Good Food Institute Europe analysis of Net Zero Insights data, reports €236 million of European alternative-protein private investment in H1 2026, up 56% year over year, with fermentation capturing 84% of the total. The rebound validates a more selective but a...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Investment in Europe's alternative protein companies grows, but sector can no longer rely on venture capital alone
Good Food Institute Europe · 2026-08-27

Good Food Institute Europe's analysis reports €236 million in private investment for European alternative-protein companies in H1 2026, up 56% year over year, with fermentation companies leading the rebound while public finance becomes increasingly important for scale-up. The mix...

Portfolio: Plantible Foods · Zero Acre Farms

[OPPORTUNITY] Thought Leadership

Chipotle's $100M Fund Hunts for Innovation
Orange County Business Journal · 2026-08-25

The profile highlights Cultivate Next's expansion from a $50 million fund to $100 million, the commercialization path of Vebu's Autocado, and the fund's stated focus on agriculture, supply chain, food technology, robotics, AI, operations, sustainability, and digital experiences. ...

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[WATCH] Funding Environment

Greenfield Robotics files amended Regulation A offering targeting up to $24.7M
U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission · 2026-08-25

A new SEC-filed amendment for Greenfield Robotics' Tier 2 Regulation A offering describes up to 11.6 million shares and a target of roughly $24.7 million, according to contemporaneous filing coverage. The capital-markets activity is a portfolio-level signal that commercial demand...

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

AgDevCo Ventures secures US$49M to finance early-stage agri-SMEs in East Africa
Feed & Aqua Middle East & Africa Magazine · 2026-08-21

AgDevCo Ventures' US$49 million first close, combining catalytic, lender, and equity capital, expands financing for early-stage agrifood SMEs and validates blended structures for hard-to-finance food-system markets. The model is a useful benchmark for Cultivate Next's emerging-ma...

Portfolio: Local Line · SIMPLi · Athian

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Venture Capital for Food-Tech Innovation is Shifting Flow, Report Finds
Techcouver · 2026-08-18

A Canadian Food Innovation Network report says nearly 50 food-tech fundraising events generated more than $60 million in the first half of 2026, with soil-measurement company Miraterra's $16 million round accounting for roughly half of Q2 capital. The mix validates investor appet...

Portfolio: IMIO · Athian · Benchmark Labs

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Homestead Capital Announces First Close of Agriculture Private Credit Fund with $150M Anchor
Agriculture Investment Marketplace · 2026-08-14

Homestead Capital's $150 million anchor-backed first close for an agriculture private-credit strategy signals growing institutional appetite for senior-secured financing tied to farmland and agricultural assets. This expands the capital stack available to scale infrastructure-hea...

Portfolio: Nitricity · Athian · Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Canadian Food Innovation Network Announces $747K for Eight Foodtech Projects
Canadian Food Innovation Network · 2026-08-10

CFIN's $746,627 Innovation Booster awards, matched to $968,627 in total project investment, show continued public-private de-risking of AI, manufacturing, sensing, food ingredients, and supply-chain technologies. The mix reinforces Cultivate Next's thesis that commercialization s...

Portfolio: IMIO · Local Line · Clean Crop Technologies

[OPPORTUNITY] News

Chipotle, Mountain Mike's, Hot Dog on a Stick
Nation's Restaurant News · 2026-07-27

NRN notes a new round of Cultivate Next investments (AI weather forecasting, soil-health solution, and biometric payments), reinforcing Chipotle's continued deployment of the fund across restaurant tech, ag sustainability, and supply-chain resilience.

Portfolio: PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] News

Chipotle's Cultivate Next fund invests in six emerging companies building a more resilient food system

Chipotle Mexican Grill Newsroom · 2026-07-08

Official confirmation of new Cultivate Next investments updates the portfolio map and highlights near-term collaboration opportunities among the newly backed companies across climate intelligence, soil health, food quality, measurement, and guest experience.

Portfolio: Benchmark Labs · IMIO · Clean Crop Technologies · Athian · SIMPLi · PopID

[WATCH] News

Chipotle is testing these 5 things to bring back buzz

Restaurant Dive · 2026-06-15

Signals Chipotle's near-term operational priorities (catering scale, kitchen efficiency remodels, value-window promotions), which can guide where Cultivate Next-backed tech and ops tooling should focus.

Portfolio: Hyphen · PopID

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Greenfield Robotics Opens Reservations for Reg A+ Raise; Early Backers Receive 5% Bonus Shares

Business Insider · 2026-06-01

Signals near-term financing momentum for Greenfield Robotics via a Reg A+ pathway, which may extend runway for fleet expansion and validate broader investor appetite for field robotics and chemical-reduction solutions.

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[OPPORTUNITY] Funding Environment

Greenfield Robotics opens reservations for Reg A+ raise on StartEngine

Barchart (Plentisoft News release) · 2026-06-01

Signals fresh momentum and market demand for Greenfield Robotics (sold-out season and signed delivery contracts), and a near-term financing event that could affect valuation and follow-on options.

Portfolio: Greenfield Robotics

[WATCH] News

Brassica to build a ~$950K new eatery in Sugar Land (Greater Houston expansion)

WhatNow Houston · 2026-05-27

Brassica's continued unit growth is a real-world indicator of demand and expansion pace for mission-aligned restaurant concepts, informing partnership and ecosystem opportunities.

Portfolio: Brassica

[OPPORTUNITY] News

Nitricity named Best Growth Venture at Industry Growth Forum (Activate Updates)

Activate · 2026-05-27

Third-party recognition for Nitricity reinforces commercial momentum and credibility with customers, partners, and follow-on investors, supporting near-term fundraising and go-to-market leverage for a core Cultivate Next portfolio company.

Portfolio: Nitricity