



# THIS MONTH IN VENTURE



## Holdings In the News

**Epic Games** received a 1.5 billion dollar investment from The Walt Disney Company, alongside their partnership for the creation of a new game and entertainment universe connected to Fortnite.

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**Cerebras Systems** announced its partnership with the Mayo Clinic, a global leader in medicine, to advance healthcare through AI.

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**Databricks** acquired the MIT and Brown University team behind Einblick, the natural language experts providing an AI-native data notebook that goes beyond writing and fixing code.

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**Voyager Space** and Airbus have selected the SpaceX Starship as the launch vehicle to bring Starlab, Voyager's commercial space station, to low-Earth Orbit (LEO).

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## Tracking IPOs

Forbes names cloud tech companies closest to IPO, listing Databricks, Rubrik

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Indicators from companies like Reddit point to “the stars aligning” in the IPO market

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CNBC reports Chip designer, Arm, saw shares surge 48% reporting optimistic forecast following its IPO in September

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## Starship Report, Payload reviews SpaceX Launch Vehicle

Payload, the newsletter platform dedicated to covering space related business and policy, released its Starship Report, a comprehensive analysis of SpaceX, its newest launch vehicle, and the industry impact. The report offers an overview of SpaceX operations, and explores the design of Starship, its entirely reusable stainless steel rocket.

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## World Economic Forum

Several portfolio holdings attended the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland including:

- Nanotronics
- Automation Anywhere
- Voyager Space



Nanotronics CEO and co-founder Matthew Putman spoke on the panel, “Bolstering the Semiconductor Value Chain in Emerging Economies.”

Putman provided insight on changing dynamics in the space including our ability, for the first time, to break Rock's Law and the increasing accessibility of semiconductor fabrication.

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## Sector Spotlight

The Wall Street Journal featured a piece exploring AI's effect on the delivery space, highlighting Motive's driver safety technology that utilizes AI to detect unsafe behavior and monitor blind spots.

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## The Private Shares Fund Top 10 Holdings As of 12/31/2023\*

GrubMarket, Nanotronics, Tradeshift, SpaceX, Axiom Space, Contrast, Motive, Arctic Wolf, Betterment, NextRoll

\*Represents 31.80% of Fund holdings as of December 31, 2023. Holdings are subject to change. Not a recommendation to buy, sell, or hold any particular security.

The Fund's website updates top holdings and total holdings frequently. Please visit the Fund's website for the most current information here: [top holdings](#); [total holdings](#).

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