

# THIS MONTH IN VENTURE



SPACEX LAUNCHES STARSHIP MEGAROCKET TEST FLIGHT INTO ORBI

### **Holdings In the News**

**<u>Rubrik</u>**, for its 4th time, has received a Global InfoSec Award at the RSA Conference. The company took home two awards, for its pioneering work within the field of data security posture management (DSPM) and for cyber resilience.

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**SpaceX** successfully launches Starship into orbit during the fourth flight test, marking several milestones for the nearly 400-foot rocket, which SpaceX aims to be fully reusable.

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<u>GrubMarket</u> launches its newest Artificial Intelligence (AI) powered ordering tool, AI Orders, an addition to GrubAssist. Read More >>

<u>Color Health</u> developed an Al "copilot" with OpenAl, to assist doctors in cancer screenings and pre-treatment plans. <u>Read More >></u>

### **Tracking IPOs**

Cerebras Systems, a developer of AI chips, has filed confidentially for an IPO according to reports. <u>Read More >></u>

Data and Al company Databricks is one of the most valuable pre-IPO tech companies according to MKM. <u>Read More >></u>

Morgan Stanley's global head of tech equity capital markets, told CNBC he expects 10 to 15 more tech companies could go public before the end of this year, while Nasdaq's president sees additional 'mega tech IPOs' to come in 2025. **Read More >>** 

### MarketWatch: Munafo Quoted in SpaceX Article

Christian Munafo, CIO of Liberty Street Advisors, Inc. and Portfolio Manager of the Private Shares Fund, spoke with MarketWatch to discuss exposure to private space companies, noting that aerospace companies make up approximately 12.9% of the Fund's portfolio. The article discuss SpaceX milestones including the launch of 23 Starlink satellites.

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### TIME 100 Most Influential Companies

TIME Magazine released its list of 100 Most Influential companies, naming Cerebras Systems in the "Innovators" category and Epic Games as a "Pioneer."

The TIME100 list was influenced by contributors and correspondents globally.

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Cerebras Systems Chips for supercomputers Epic Games App-economy equalizer

### Sector Spotlight: Private Shares Invests in Artificial Intelligence Company, xAI

Founded in 2023, <u>xAI</u> is an artificial intelligence company working to accelerate human scientific discovery with advanced multimodal models.

In addition to model development, xAI plans to build the "Gigafactory of Compute", an AI supercomputer built to facilitate rapid model training and inference.

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#### The Private Shares Fund Top 10 Holdings As of 5/31/2024\*

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

\*Represents 32.40% of Fund holdings as of May 31, 2024. 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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