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Al Startups Continue Hot Streak

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People

Climate change-focused **Prelude Ventures** said **Matt Eggers** joined the firm as a managing director. He was previously a partner at Breakthrough Energy Ventures.

Behavioral healthcare provider **aptihealth** said **Chris Betz** joined the company as chief technology officer. He was most recently senior director of software engineering at Brightside Health.

HR tech startup **ThisWay Global** appointed **Jim Duddy** as its chief revenue officer. He was most recently senior vice president of sales at Rev.com.

Targeted cancer therapy startup **Elucida Oncology** named **Ramzi Benamar** to the post of chief financial officer. He was previously CFO at Bellus Health.

Cement decarbonization startup Fortera named Kas Farsad as chief strategy officer.

New Money

Companion Protect, a Leawood, Kan.-based pet insurance and pet wellness administration startup, landed \$27 million in Series A funding from **Avanta Ventures** and others.

Holy, a Berlin-based brand offering a healthier alternative to traditional soft drinks, raised a €10.5 million Series A round led by Left Lane Capital.

Crate, a Los Angeles-based startup that helps users organize pieces of the internet into one central location, picked up \$5 million in seed funding from investors including **MaC Venture Capital** and **Bessemer Venture Partners**.

Panobi, a San Francisco-based growth platform for product and marketing teams, was seeded with a \$5 million investment led by Index Ventures.

Irys Insurtech, a Tampa, Fla.-based insurtech startup, closed a \$3.5 million seed round led by Markd.