

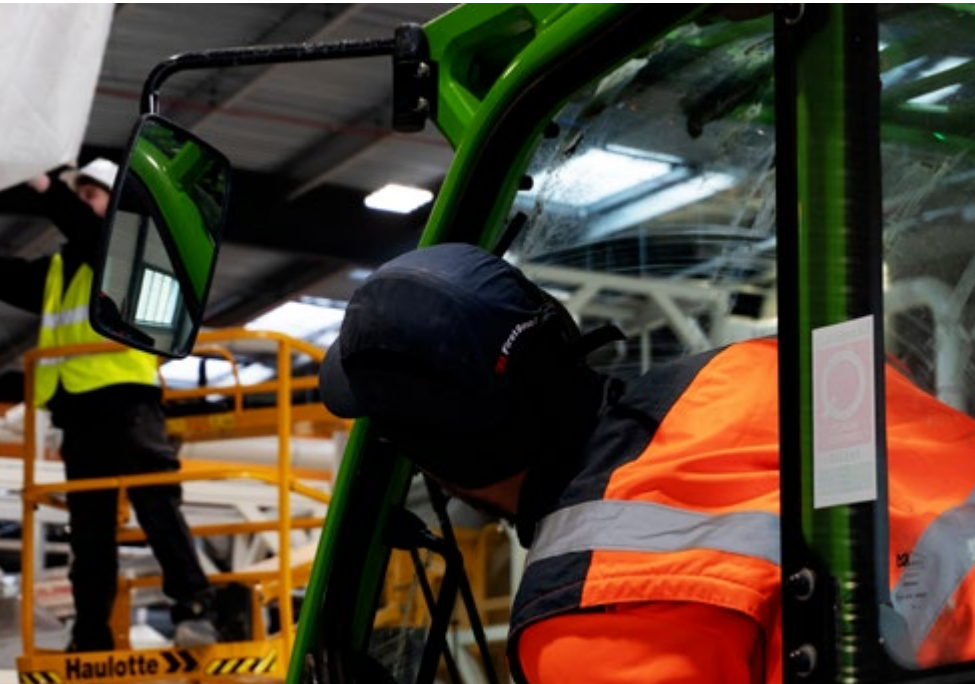


NÉOLITHE

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Néolithe raises €60 to *accelerate its industrial and commercial development.*

The industrial startup based in Anjou raises €60 million to accelerate deployment of its first waste treatment plants using Accelerated Fossilization. Néolithe is backed by long-standing partners including Otium Capital, as well as new private investors including the Révolution Environnementale et Solidaire fund managed by Crédit Mutuel Impact, and public and bank funds for this new round of financing.

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A round of financing driven by strong environmental objectives

Néolithe announces its fourth round of financing from private and banking investors, including Crédit Mutuel Impact, Otium Capital, Tivoli Capital Investment and RGREEN INVEST.

Driven by ambitious R&D and promising commercial prospects. Néolithe aims to accelerate its commercial development and thus amplify its contribution to reduce France's carbon footprint. Néolithe reaffirms its position as an alternative to traditional waste treatment technologies, notably landfill and incineration. Thanks to Accelerated waste Fossilization, Néolithe reduces the carbon emissions associated with waste treatment, storing (on average, according to estimates) 420 kg CO₂eq per tonne of waste treated.

Thanks to the emissions avoided and carbon sequestration enabled by Accelerated Fossilization, Néolithe's process has a lower carbon footprint, estimated at around 200%* compared with landfill and incineration.

Industrial acceleration : stronger, more local

Néolithe is giving itself the means to accelerate its industrial strategy by presenting its new integrated model. The Fossilizators will have the capacity to process 100,000 tonnes of waste per year, and will be replicated throughout the country, to manage waste locally. Néolithe Fossilizators will integrate all stages of waste processing and aggregate production, and will be supplied locally by sorting centers and local businesses. Aggregates, for their part, will be distributed in partnership with local building and public works companies for construction needs, and in the medium term for road use, the subject of the partnership agreement recently signed between the company and the regulatory authority, CEREMA.

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Ambitious R&D to prepare the future

Néolithe's R&D roadmap supports its future development and focuses on three main areas :

- › Industrial R&D to continually improve Fossilizators efficiency, robustness and performance.
- › Waste R&D to be able to process more types of waste in the medium term. After waste from economic activities, ordinary industrial waste and general waste, Néolithe is now preparing its capacity to treat residual household waste.
- › R&D aggregates for use in more types of concrete and road techniques.

** Calculated on the basis of LCAs modeled by an independent consultancy firm, taking into account avoided and sequestered emissions.*

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« Faced with the climate emergency, we are reaffirming our commitment to strong growth. We are presenting a high-capacity Fossilizator model that we will replicate throughout France and abroad, to turn the waste industry into a carbon sequestration industry. We know we'll be in demand, because we're at the crossroads of the major challenges of our time: industrial ecology, reindustrialization and carbon sequestration. With this new financing round, we are surrounding ourselves with partners whose expertise will help us achieve our objectives : finance, infrastructure, transition. Our ambitions are ambitious, and their support will be invaluable. A new page in the Néolithe adventure is opening, and I'm very proud of the ground we've covered and of the work all our teams do every day ! Each and every one of us is convinced that we have a responsibility in the fight for climate protection ! »

Nicolas Cruaud, President and cofounder of Néolithe

« This new round of financing marks our renewed confidence in Néolithe's project, following our first participation in Series A in 2022. The founders are staying the course, and want to go even faster and further, and we support them in their ambition. We believe in the dominant role of industrial efficiency theses in building a low-carbon economy, and that's what Néolithe is all about. Neolithe's plans for a nationwide network will contribute to the reindustrialization of our country, to job creation in every region, and ultimately to our sovereignty. Néolithe's strategy is convincing, ambitious and robust. »

François Durvye, General Director of Otium Capital

« Néolithe is one of the very first investments of the Révolution Environnementale et Solidaire fund, supported by Crédit Mutuel Alliance Fédérale's societal dividend and dedicated to financing projects for environmental transformation and solidarity in the face of climate change. We support the ambition of Néolithe's founders and their industrial vision, and are proud to provide long-term support to a company that creates jobs in its region, is innovative and has a strong environmental impact. »

Sabine Schimel, Managing Director of Crédit Mutuel Impact

« We decided to take part in this new round of financing because we are convinced of the Néolithe project, and of the need for an industrial strategy with strong potential for reducing the waste industry's carbon footprint. We need entrepreneurs who are making the transition, and our role as an investor is to help them accelerate the development of their business and their solutions. Néolithe is preparing the deployment of large-scale carbon sequestration infrastructures, to maximize its impact on the environment, a field which overlaps perfectly with the philosophy of RGREEN INVEST. The team may be young, but it is ambitious and determined to contribute to the future of a new French industry. »

Olivier Pinard, Investment Director, RGREEN INVEST

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« Like Néolithe, which is preparing the future of non-recyclable waste treatment, we believe fundamentally in disruptive innovations that force us to rethink our habits. These innovations take on particular significance in key areas such as ecology, health and education. We are confirming our commitment to Néolithe and its management by participating in this new round of financing. By making this choice, we are reaffirming our position in favor of the circular economy : waste can become a resource, as Néolithe has been proving for several years ! »

Lorraine Strauss, General Director of Tivoli.

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