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Safe Superintelligence - a \$32B startup you've never heard of

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What's in store:

- OpenAl's co-founder takes the wheel at new startup
- Al just got into the pharma game, and it's not playing.
- Around the web: Ever heard of the Fairphone 6?
- Learn how to get your hands on VIP tickets to INBOUND!

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SUPERINTELLIGENCE

Ilya Sutskever just took the wheel



OpenAl co-founder Ilya Sutskever is now CEO of Safe Superintelligence (SSI), the Al startup he co-launched in 2024.

Daniel Gross, who previously held the role, officially left on 29 June.

Fellow co-founder Daniel Levy has stepped into the role of president.

Gross's exit follows reports that Meta CEO Mark Zuckerberg was trying to bring him, and longtime collaborator Nat Friedman, over to Meta.

At one stage, Zuckerberg was even looking to buy SSI outright.

Sutskever responded to the rumours, saying they were flattered by the interest but are staying focused on their mission.

That mission is crystal clear: Safe Superintelligence is building exactly what the name suggests, and nothing else.

No product spin-offs, no distractions.

Sutskever launched the company after his departure from OpenAI, where he played a role in the brief removal of Sam Altman.

Meanwhile, Meta is moving in a different direction.

A few things to know:

- Gross' departure comes as Meta builds out its own Al lab
- SSI is staying laser-focused on one thing: safe superintelligence
- Sutskever now takes on the full CEO remit, beyond just tech leadership

It's setting up its own superintelligence unit, aimed at powering a wide range of products, including Al wearables.

Meta's building wearables, we guess

If Gross does join Meta, he'd likely take on a more product-led role, similar to his past work at Apple.

As for Sutskever, taking on the CEO title means more than just leading the tech side; he'll now be responsible for bringing in new investment and top-tier talent, all while pushing forward on SSI's single goal.

The Al scene right now is a blend of corporate espionage and Silicon Valley soap opera. I'm here for it.

Would you rather work on one world-changing Al mission or build tech that reaches billions?

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AI SCIENCE

Google's Al is in the lab



Alphabet's Al drug discovery arm, Isomorphic Labs, is getting ready to launch its first human trials, an important step in using Al to rethink how medicines are developed.

Set up in 2021 from DeepMind's AlphaFold protein modelling project, Isomorphic brings together Al and pharmaceutical research to design drugs more quickly and accurately.

Colin Murdoch, president of Isomorphic and a senior exec at Google DeepMind, told Fortune that trials for its Alcreated treatments are nearly underway.

Here's what you should know:

- · Human trials for Al-designed drugs are about to begin
- Isomorphic Labs raised \$600M and partnered with Eli Lilly and Novartis

• The company says Al could speed up and improve drug discovery

The company's growth has been fast.

This year, it secured \$600 million in funding and struck research partnerships with pharmaceutical giants Eli Lilly and Novartis.

Alongside supporting its partners, Isomorphic is also developing its own early-stage drug candidates.

Murdoch said Al has the potential to cut down on both time and cost in drug development, and increase the chances of success.

Al curing diseases while I still Google my symptoms, lol.

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Recommended Reading: ♥ Positive DONUT: A community of optimists sharing good news & wellness tips. Join readers celebrating daily joy – 100% free!

Space: U.S. Air Force scraps plan for rocket pads on Johnston Atoll after environmental concerns over local wildlife.

Crypto: Firm makes record \$237.9m Bitcoin buy, adding 2,205 BTC and bringing total holdings to 15,555.

Games: Steam drops a free RPG set in the Persona universe, yours to download and keep.

Don't Miss: The Fairphone 6 is slimmer and more modular than before, still scores 10/10 for repairability, and only needs one screwdriver. Most parts are easily replaceable, it promises up to eight years of support, and

while specs are modest, it's built to last, not to impress.

Daily Image Prompt

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Always - 19%

Most of the time - 35%

✓

Sometimes - 34%

Never... - 12%

Your Views:

"I often do on technical issues, in my case music software, as ChatGPT often gives answers that were once or no longer correct depending on the versions of software used. So it's more empirically, out of experience and not per se regularly checking" - **dirkblan** "people rely on the answers I give so it is critical to check facts" - mike.m

"I'm not completely comfortable with it yet." - Icolem

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