

HOMBURGER: CIRCAP AND PLANET FIRST INVEST IN NANOGENCE

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Nanogence closed its Series A financing round, securing financing from a consortium of investors. The consortium was led by **CirCap**, an investment platform providing strategic private capital to innovative companies in climate-tech, healthcare and education, and included **Planet First Partners**, a growth-equity sustainable investment platform focusing on supporting high-potential companies in progressing to the growth stage, and the EIC Fund, the venture arm of the European Innovation Council.

The Swiss-based building material innovation start-up, based in Renens, developed a proprietary smart catalyst technology, which enhances the binding efficiency of cementitious and inorganic binder systems. Without compromising product performance and without requiring changes in the existing manufacturing processes, the smart catalyst technology is expected to enable reductions of up to 40% in CO₂ emissions and up to 20% in costs in applications including cement, concrete and mortar.

Homburger advised lead investor CirCap and Planet First Partners on this financing round. The team was led by **Lorenzo Togni** (pictured left) and **Oriana Schöni** (pictured right) and included **Léonard Aeschlimann**, **Thomas Romelli**, **Aron Belegu** and **Jana Waldvogel** (all corporate / M&A) as well as **Luca Dal Molin** and **Joel Fink** (both IP / IT).