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THE TOP AI THOUGHT LEADERS + 2024

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FOREWORD

Back in 2020, I said, "By 2030, we'll see a one- or two-person trillion-dollar company. A one- or two-person billiondollar company will happen by 2025, and they'll be using Al."

From the early days of H2O.ai, when we were just starting to build a grassroots community without even a product to sell, I always dreamed of a time when we could celebrate everyone's contributions to AI, no matter how big or small.

Today, we're seeing this vision come to life. Al is now accessible to more people than ever before, driving incredible changes. With our first ever H2O AI 100 list, we want to highlight individuals who have shown exemplary leadership in scaling AI within their organizations, both in the corporate world and the public sector. We're also recognizing those who have made exceptional contributions in research and AI For Good. There are some clear winners, but we also want to recognize lesser known newcomers.

We hope you enjoy this report and welcome any feedback you might have. Your thoughts and suggestions help us continue to celebrate and support the amazing work happening in Al.



Founder and CEO, H2O.ai Sri Ambati

this will be fun.

AI IS PUSHING COMPANIES TO THINK DIFFERENTLY ABOUT WHAT IS POSSIBLE.

The AI 100 spotlights the vanguards of the AI revolution those who are harnessing AI's transformative power across diverse sectors and geographies. These leaders aren't just adopting AI; they're pioneering its application, driving innovation, and creating unprecedented value.

This list spans nations and industries, showcasing the truly global nature of AI's impact. It features visionaries from multinational corporations, country leaders, and everything in between. Their strategies and innovations are shaping the future of business and society.

H2O AI 100 serves as both a benchmark and an inspiration. It demonstrates the breadth and depth of AI's influence while highlighting the visionaries who are pushing its boundaries.





How did we identify the AI industry's leaders?

The H2O AI 100 Watch List is curated from a diverse set of sources, including community nominations, social media, self-nominations, and profiles sourced from a third-party research firm.

Many other leaders are making remarkable strides in AI, and their absence from this list in no way diminishes their achievements. The AI 100 serves as a representative sample of the broader AI leadership landscape, providing insight into the diverse ways AI is reshaping our world. We aim to recognize newcomers in the AI space as well as rising stars making significant impacts, even in smaller communities globally.

Our AI 100 list features the top 100 individuals who have demonstrated exceptional leadership in enterprise organizations, the public sector, or as research scientists contributing to the global advancement of AI for Good.



METHODOLOGY

We combined the power of AI with industry expertise to identify candidates our team deemed noteworthy. Using Anthropic's Claude Sonnet 3.5, OpenAI's GPT-4o, our own Enterprise h2oGPTe, and the sharp insights of Alexandra V. Mousavizadeh, CEO and Co-Founder of Evident, we meticulously evaluated hundreds of applications. The LLMs and the judges' expertise enabled us to measure the impact, innovation, leadership, and scalability of each candidate's AI innovations through their public track record and nomination details.

IMPACT: AI leaders who have driven significant, measurable business outcomes such as revenue growth, cost reduction, or efficiency gains. We looked at the tangible ROI and bottom-line impact of their AI initiatives.

INNOVATION: AI leaders advancing the state-of-the-art in AI technologies, architectures, or applications. We assessed their contributions to pushing boundaries and pioneering new approaches.

LEADERSHIP: AI leaders with the vision and ability to drive organizational transformation and create a culture of AI innovation. We evaluated their strategic thinking and success in aligning stakeholders and empowering teams.

SCALABILITY: Leaders who have successfully deployed and managed AI solutions at scale across their organization. We assessed their ability to navigate the technical and operational complexities of enterprise-wide AI adoption.

Since many of the nomination forms were incomplete, the LLMs were prompted to augment the nominations with matching information based on the selection criteria and, finally, produce a succinct synopsis for each individual.

The prompts used to generate the scores and the synopsis using Enterprise h2oGPTe can be found here:

<u>https://github.com/h2oai/ai100</u>



JUDGE Alexandra V. Mousavizadeh CEO and Co-founder, Evident

The AI 100 list showcases the pioneering efforts of banks like Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Bank of America, Wells Fargo and JPMorgan Chase in integrating AI to revolutionize financial services. These institutions are at the forefront of using AI to enhance customer experiences, streamline operations, and innovate responsibly. These banking leaders exemplify how AI can drive transformative change in banking, setting new standards for the industry and paving the way for the future of finance."



JUDGE Olivier Grellier, VP, Data Science, H2O.ai

Working on the AI 100 list has shown how AI is utilized by diverse industry leaders. At <u>H2O.ai</u>, we used Generative AI to augment human efforts in evaluating the nominees, highlighting both the technological prowess and strategic vision needed to scale AI into meaningful business solutions. These leaders drive efficiency, innovation, and ethical practices with AI.

RESULTS

Both LLMs, Sonnet 3.5 and GPT-40, agreed on 97 of the finalists. Our team reviewed the LLM-augmented list and curated the finalists based on additional hands-on research from LinkedIn, as well as both first-party and third-party reporting, to derive the final Top AI 100 list.

The final list of winners was curated by our team at H2O.ai and reviewed by judges.

REPORT DEMOGRAPHICS

TOP 4 BANKS

- Wells Fargo: 2
- CBA: 3
- JPMorgan Chase: 2
- Bank of America: 2

TOP 4 INDUSTRIES

- Financial services: 25
- Public Sector/Government: 11
- Healthcare: 10
- Technology: 10

CXOs: **56**

Fortune 500: 47

GEOGRAPHICAL REPRESENTATION:

- NA: 84
- APAC: 11
- EMEA: 3
- LATAM: 2

GENDER:

21% female | 79% male

HERE ARE THE
H2O AI 100 WINNERS
h2o.ai/ai-100/winners