

6 steps to getting started on AirMiners Slack

"Getting Started" guide for joining the AirMiners Slack community

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How do I use AirMiners Slack?

Think of Slack like LinkedIn for everyone working to pull carbon dioxide from air or emissions. Introduce yourself, get to know people, and join a discussion. You should have an email in your inbox inviting you to join AirMiners Slack if you haven't already done so.

(if somehow you're reading this and aren't on AirMiners Slack, the application is [here](#))

1. Introduce yourself

AirMiners is a community of people working on carbon removal. Slack is a tool to connect, share what you're working on, help others, and get help!

Navigate to the #general channel and introduce yourself.

- a. In your intro, answer these three questions
 - **What is your goal for the next month?**
 - **What's your plan for getting there?**
 - **What's holding you back?**
- b. Sample intro: **this intro got 4 contacts from members and two meetings setup**
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- What's your plan for getting there?
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- What's holding you back?
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Sophia Leiker 3:04 PM
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2. Conversations you won't have anywhere else

AirMiners Slack represents the greatest concentration of carbon removal nerds in the known universe. You're alongside practitioners, researchers, and people highly educated about carbon removal. You can have a conversation about the nuanced technical bits of a direct air capture system or a new process with other people that are building it. When you want to nerd out on a new report or a new discovery, write up your thoughts and perspective and share!

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AirMiners Slack has more than 20 discussion channels you can join to get connected, find collaborators, ask for help, and offer help.

By default you're added to 4 channels. Each one is for a different topic of discussion:

1. [#general](#)
 - a. Big announcements, questions or comments that don't quite fit anywhere else
2. [#events](#)
 - a. Events happening throughout the carbon removal world
3. [#funding](#)
 - a. If you're working at a startup, post here for guidance on fundraising for grants and venture capital
4. [#job_postings](#)
 - a. Looking for a job? Looking to hire?

There's many other topical channels. You can browse through all of them using the channel browser here: [How to join a Channel](#)

List of channels on AirMiners Slack:

Channel Name	Topic
#biotech-cdr	Biotech and carbon removal
#biochar	Biochar, pyrolysis
#blue-carbon	Ocean based carbon removal
#business-model-lab	Discuss and discover business models in carbon removal
#ccus	Carbon capture utilization and storage
#carbon-markets (popular!)	Buying and selling carbon removal
#consumer-products	Making stuff out of carbon dioxide
#dac	Direct air capture
#env-justice	Environmental justice and carbon removal
#events (default)	Constant stream of events in the carbon removal world
#europe	Carbon removal in Europe
#funding (default)	Post and learn about funding options for carbontech projects
#general (default)	introductions, announcements, and other air mining news
#job_postings (default)	Find jobs and people to hire

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#memes	Legends say it's the best channel on AirMiners Slack
#mineralization	Geologic storage, rock weathering, ocean alkalinity. It rocks!
#policy	Policies around the world supporting carbon removal
#science-data	Data about carbon removal science
#soil	Soil carbon storage, land management
#women-airminers	Women AirMiners events, workshops, and mentoring
#xprize	Discuss the XPRIZE with other teams and XPRIZE staff

3. Find your people

Mark Hagelberg	mark.hagelberg@gmail.c...	http://www.linkedin.com/...	I do not work in this field, but it interests me.
Mark Strauss	mark@aircapture.co	https://www.linkedin.com...	I founded or work for a carbontech company.
Markus Fromherz	investor@fromherz.us	https://www.linkedin.com...	I am a funder of this field.
Markus Gilles	markusgilles@gmail.com	https://www.linkedin.com...	I founded or work for a carbontech company.
Mathieu Carlier	mc@everimpact.org		I founded or work for a carbontech company.
Matt	matt.lucas@centerforcar...		I have another professional role (e.g. convener...
Matt Kirley	matt.kirley@pm.me	https://www.linkedin.com...	I am a technologist (e.g. engineer) in this field.
Matt Labarre	labarre@vtcfilms.com	https://www.linkedin.com...	I do not work in this field, but it interests me.
Matt Roll	mproll@pm.me		I do not work in this field, but it interests me.
Matt Wilson Plasek	mattplasek@gmail.com		I have another professional role (e.g. convener...
Matthew Mead	Mattie@hempitecture.com		I have another professional role (e.g. convener...
Maura Devlin-Clancy	mclancy@ccsf.edu		I do not work in this field, but it interests me.

Use AirMiners Slack to connect with the right people. Whether that's a collaborator, a co-founder, a thought partner, or a chemist, everybody on AirMiners is there because they're either a practitioner or passionate about supporting the industry. #job_postings is the best place for more formal connections like jobs, gigs, or co-founder search. You can also find other people who are writing publicly and message them about joining up.

Most of the connections on AirMiners Slack happen behind the scenes. Feel free to reach out to people in a private message to get in touch.

You can find a full list of potential collaborators in the AirMiners Members database [here](#).

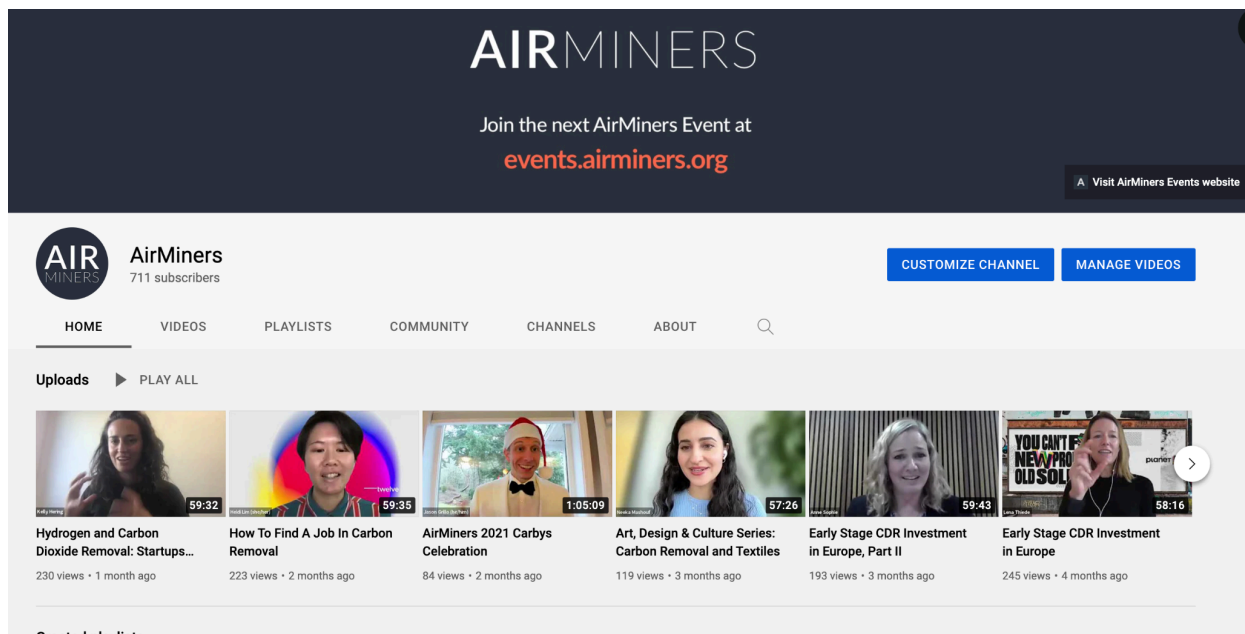
- [Airtable](#) is an online spreadsheet tool

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- Sort and filter to find who to connect with

Find someone and message them directly in Slack under Direct messages. Hit the “New Message” in the upper left corner of Slack. Start typing their name and Slack should auto-fill their name in. Slack guide: [Send and read messages](#)

5. Meet and Learn at AirMiners events





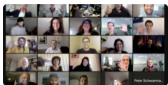
Watch recordings of previous events at the [AirMiners YouTube channel](#)

Check out [upcoming AirMiners events](#) and sign up to join. Recent topics include

- Discussion with carbon removal founders
- Fundraising and investments in carbon removal startups
- Networking events and jobs fair
- Meet a Co-Founder

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AirMiners Events

MAR 17		Equity Crowdfunding in CDR Thu, Mar 17, 2:00 PM PDT
MAR 22		Launchpad Q&A March 2022 Tue, Mar 22, 9:00 AM PDT
MAR 25		AirMiners Friday Afternoon Networking Fri, Mar 25, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM PDT

7. Get help for your startup

Two channels are designed especially for founders:

- **#funding:** Post and learn about funding options for carbontech projects
- **#business-model lab:** get help reviewing your business models for new carbon removal companies

AirMiners accelerator: [Carbon removal accelerator program — AirMiners](#)

YouTube channel playlist: [Startups in Carbon Removal - YouTube](#)

8. Find a job in carbon removal

Check out the **#job-postings** channel for opportunities. Introduce yourself there to say what you're looking for in a job, or what you can offer to help with.

You can also learn from other AirMiners members who made carbon removal their career by watching our event here:

 **How To Find A Job In Carbon Removal - AirMiners Events Series**

6. Healthy Slack Habits

Gigaton scale carbon removal is a marathon, not a sprint. Slack is just a tool to help us all get there. Slack is a tool that, used properly, can amplify your superpowers. But it can also be a drag if you're not careful

- **Turn off all those Slack sounds immediately**
 - That tack-tack-tack Slack sound drives us all insane. Here's how to [silence it](#).
- **Mute and leave channels every 3 months**

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- If at any time these channels aren't useful to you, [mute](#) or [leave](#) the channel.
- No fomo! You can always come back to a channel in the Channel browser (instructions on how to [Join a Channel](#))
- **Review your channels every 3 months**
 - Reviewing your AirMiners channels every month or two or when you're bored. Leave channels that you find annoying or not interesting. It's tempting to try to track everything in carbon removal, but that can burn out even the most enthusiastic miners.

Bonus: Questions or Comments?

If you have any questions, please send an email to contact@airminers.com.