Aid4Mail Fact Sheet

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Company Overview

Fookes Software Ltd is a Swiss software company specializing in email forensics and eDiscovery solutions. Founded in 1996 and headquartered in Charmey, Switzerland, the company has earned an international reputation for building high-quality, secure, and reliable software trusted by government agencies, Fortune 50 companies, and leading law firms worldwide.

Aid4Mail, launched in 2005, is the company's flagship product—the world's fastest, most accurate, and most versatile email processing solution for digital forensics, eDiscovery, compliance, and email migration.

Quick Facts

Founded 1996 (Fookes Software), 2005 (Aid4Mail)

Headquarters Charmey, Switzerland

CEO & Founder Eric Fookes

Email Expertise 25+ years (longer than most competing forensics vendors)

Current Version Aid4Mail 6.1.5 (September 2025)

Editions Converter, Investigator, Enterprise

Platform Windows 7/8.1/10/11 and Server (32-bit and 64-bit)

Market Position

Trusted by half of the Fortune 50 companies

- Used by U.S. Department of Justice, FBI, and CIA
- Deployed by top 100 law firms globally
- Relied upon by leading universities and national libraries
- Adopted by international government agencies and NGOs

What Makes Aid4Mail Unique

Industry-First Al Integration

- First forensics tool to integrate Al from OpenAl, Google, Anthropic, Mistral, Meta, and xAl
- Natural-language filtering, automated classification, and content analysis
- Unique offline AI processing for sensitive investigations
- Cost-effective: 50,900 emails processed in <8 hours for <\$12

Cloud Attachment Collection

- Only tool supporting cloud attachments from both Microsoft and Google platforms
- Collects from OneDrive (Personal/Business), SharePoint, and Google Drive
- Captures file content, metadata, revision history, and collaborator information
- Critical for modern IP theft, insider trading, and compliance investigations

Unmatched Speed

- 10× faster than competing tools for local email processing
- 100× faster webmail collection with native pre-acquisition filtering
- Benchmark: 5 GB dataset (50,887 emails) converted to PST in 2 minutes 59 seconds (284 emails/second)

Superior Forensic Recovery

- Recovers double-deleted (unpurged) emails from IMAP, PST, OST, and Exchange Recoverable Items
- Repairs corrupted mbox files with close to 100% success rate (vs. 30% for competitors)
- Carves MIME emails from unallocated disk space and disk images
- Preserves complete metadata, folder structures, and status flags

Comprehensive Format Support

- 40+ email formats and cloud accounts
- Supports Google Workspace, Microsoft 365, Yahoo, AOL, Apple Mail, Thunderbird, PST, OST, OLM, mbox, EML, MSG, and more

• Enterprise archives: Google Vault, Mimecast, Proofpoint exports

Portable Email Viewer

- Zero-installation, browser-based review
- Handles 50,000+ emails with smooth performance
- Advanced search, tagging, and AI classification filtering
- License-free redistribution—share with regulators, outside counsel, or clients without cost

Technical Capabilities

Collection & Processing

- Native pre-acquisition filtering (up to 90% data reduction at source)
- Microsoft 365 App-Only Access for silent, tenant-wide collection
- Concurrent and incremental processing for overnight automation
- Advanced search with regex (PCRE2), Boolean operators, and 24-language support

Recovery & Integrity

- Recovers deleted, corrupted, and hidden emails
- EDRM MIH + MIH+ deduplication for emails with or without Message-IDs
- Preserves forensic-grade metadata and folder hierarchies
- Chain of custody logging and audit trails

Export & Integration

- Outputs: PST, EML, MSG, mbox, HTML, PDF, CSV, JSON, XML
- Bates stamping with flexible numbering schemes
- Python scripting for custom workflows (OCR, image analysis, geolocation)
- CLI automation for batch processing (Enterprise edition)

Compliance

- GDPR, HIPAA, PIPA (South Korea) compliant
- Data minimization through pre-acquisition filtering
- Defensible under FRCP and international legal standards

Awards & Recognition

- European IT & Software Excellence Award (2016) Recognized for outstanding solution provided to cloud-archiving company Sonian
- PC Magazine Shareware Award (1998) NoteTab Pro text editor (Fookes Software's first product)
- Multiple distinctions from PC World, Microsoft, and WUGNET for software excellence
- 5-star rating on SourceForge "A great timesaver... satisfied user for 15+ years"

Customer Testimonials

"Aid4Mail exceeds our expectations on the speed in which it can convert data. It can convert larger amounts of data in no time at all. I would say it's at least twice as fast as the rest of our tools." — Jon Hanna, ESI Manager, Advanced Discovery (USA)

"Aid4Mail performed like a champ. I'm grateful to have your product in my toolkit."

— Craig Ball, Texas Attorney and Forensic Technologist

"This software worked brilliantly, it even fixed corruption that existed when we attempted to do it manually or with other software." — **Gregory Kerr, Lubin Olson & Niewiadomski LLP**

Pricing & Licensing

Please visit https://www.aid4mail.com/pricing for up-to-date pricing.

Free trial available (no time limit, no credit card required)

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Additional Resources

- Press Kit: Logos, screenshots, backgrounder, executive bio
- Product Documentation: User guides, technical specifications
- Free Trial: www.aid4mail.com/free-trial

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