# **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**

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| **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 AI Integration**

* **First forensics tool** to integrate AI from OpenAI, Google, Anthropic, Mistral, Meta, and xAI
* 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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**Response Time:** Typically within 24 hours on business days

## **Additional Resources**

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

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