

A low-angle shot of a person in a grey hoodie and light-colored pants jumping high to shoot a basketball. The person is in the center-left of the frame, with their arms extended upwards holding the ball. The basketball hoop and backboard are visible in the upper left. The court is surrounded by a chain-link fence, and trees are visible in the background under a clear sky. The image is partially covered by a dark blue diagonal overlay on the right side.

# Palo Alto Networks Cortex XSOAR Sales Playbook

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# SOC challenges



## Growing alerts

12k alerts per week



## Lack of skilled analysts

2 million analysts shortage.  
SOC analysts take 6 months to train  
and only stay for 18 months



## No consistent process

No metrics, fragmented  
documentation



## Limited visibility

Expanded threat surface



## Disparate infrastructures

Coordination challenge across  
product consoles



## Long MTTR

Increased business risk: weeks to  
resolve incidents

# The solution - SOAR

Security Orchestration, Automation, and Response



# SOAR benefits



## Unify security infrastructures

Coordinate enrichment and response by gathering intelligence from multiple products on a single console.



## Accelerate incident response

By automating low-level manual tasks, SOAR can reduce incident response times and improve accuracy.



## Standardise and scale processes

Through playbooks, SOAR standardises incident enrichment and response processes to increase the baseline quality and scalability of response.



## Increase analyst productivity

SOAR frees up analysts' time for more important decision-making, and proactive tasks rather than getting mired in grunt-work.



## Leverage existing investments

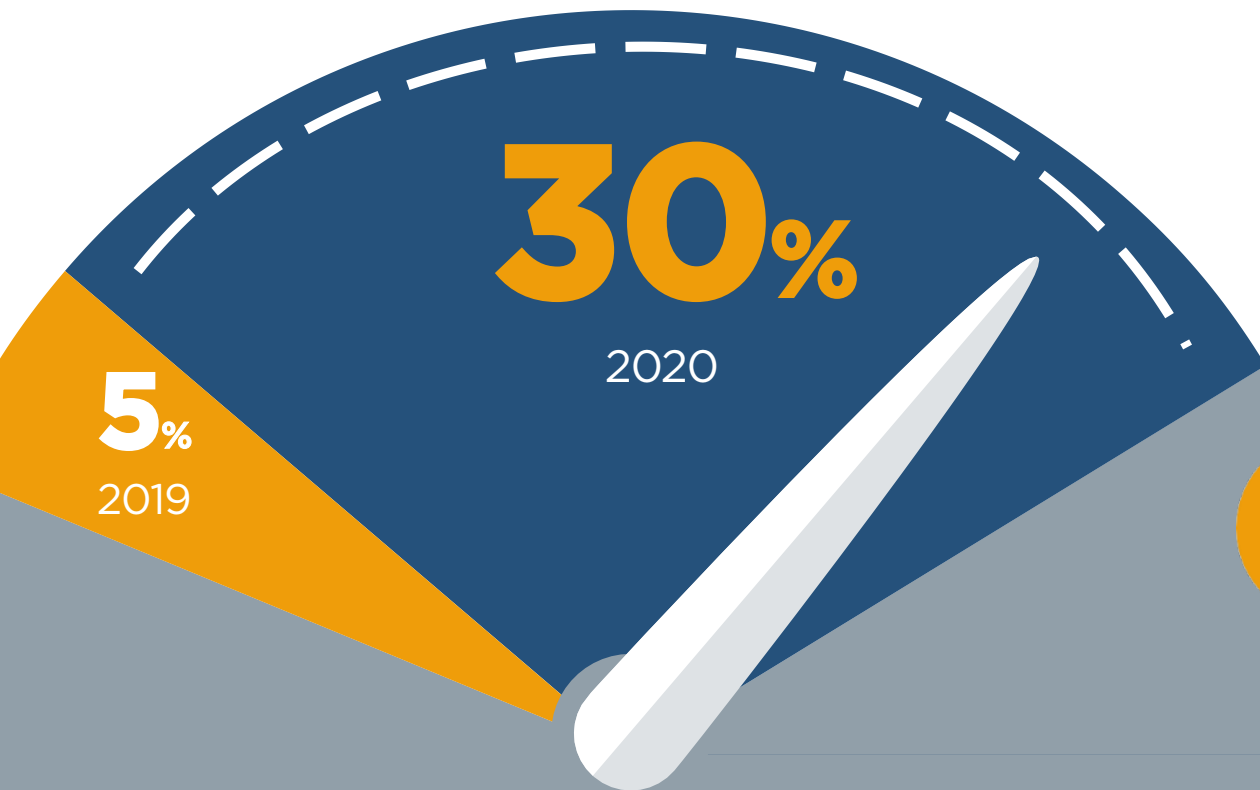
Through automation and minimised console-switching, SOAR enables coordination across multiple products and greater value from existing security investments.



## Improve overall security posture

The sum of all aforementioned benefits is an overall improvement of the organisation's security posture and a corresponding reduction in security and business risk.

# SOAR market opportunity



## Increased Adoption

Organisations leveraging SOAR (Security Orchestration, Automation, and Response) solutions will rise from 5% now to 30% by 2022.

## Technology Convergence

The ideal SOAR solution is a convergence of three previously distinct technology markets



**Security Orchestration and Automation**



**Security Incident Response Platforms**



**Threat Intelligence Platforms**



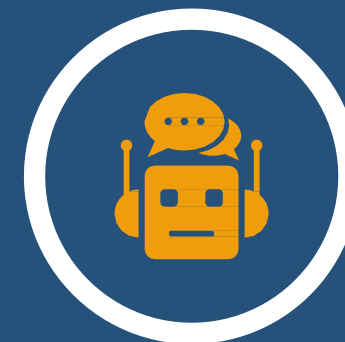
# Cortex XSOAR - the perfect SOAR match

Cortex XSOAR is a game-changer for security operations. A significant evolution of the well-known Demisto® platform, Cortex XSOAR integrates threat intelligence management with playbook-driven enforcement across your enterprise so that customers can act on threat feeds with speed and confidence.



## **Automation:**

How to make machines do task-orientated “human work”



## **Incident management and collaboration:**

End-to-end management of an incident by people

# SOAR



## **Orchestration:**

How different technologies (both security-specific and non-security-specific) are integrated to work together



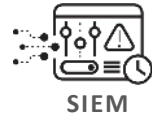
## **Dashboards and reporting:**

Visualisations and capabilities for collecting and reporting on metrics and other information

# How does Cortex XSOAR work?



**350+**  
Third-party  
tools



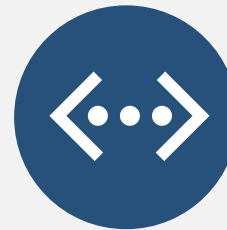
**Playbook-driven automation**



**Automation &  
Orchestration**



**Real-time  
Collaboration**



**Case  
Management**



**Threat Intel  
Management**

**Alerts**

**Threat Intel Feeds**



Open Source Premium AutoFocus



# Benefits of Cortex XSOAR

## Accelerate Response

Respond to incidents with speed and scale



Hundreds of integrations



Thousands of security actions



Cross correlations

## Standardise Process

Respond to incidents the same way every time



Task-based workflows



Visual playbook editor



SLA and metric tracking

## Collaborate and Learn

Improve investigation quality by working together



Virtual war room



Investigation canvas



Machine learning

## Reduce Risk

Reduce business and security risk



Dashboards and reports



Auto documentation



Improved ROI

Reduced weekly alerts from  
**10,000 to 500**

Reduced response times from  
**3 days to 25 minutes**

Automated 30% of incidents for  
**1 FTE time saved**

# SOAR target market & identifiers

Anyone with a SOC!

## SOC identifiers:

- 500+ employee size companies
- They will be SIEM users
- They will also be using EDR
- They may have a SOC Analyst or SecOps lead listed on LinkedIn

A number of your existing customers may already have SOCs and are prime targets!!

Figure 1. Magic Quadrant for Security Information and Event Management

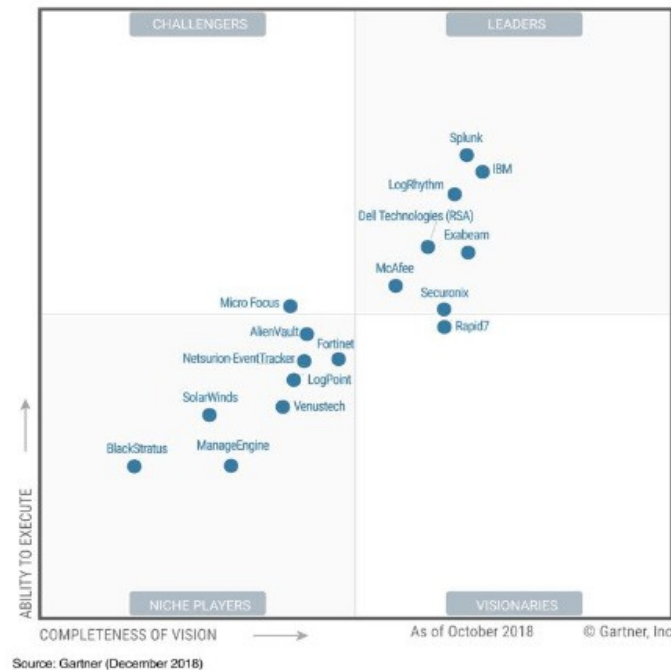
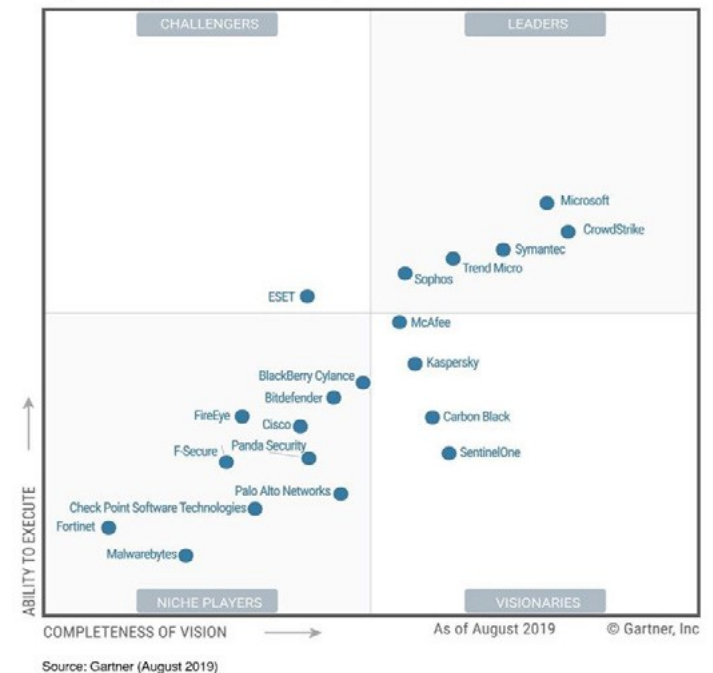


Figure 1. Magic Quadrant for Endpoint Protection Platforms



# Why sell Cortex XSOAR?

What's in it for you?



**SOAR is in demand  
and a growth market**

You'll be pushing on open  
doors and your sales team will  
want to sell it



**Fast sales cycle,  
typically 3-6 months**

**Annual license  
recurring  
revenue**



**25-35%**

**margin** (subject to a valid deal reg)

**Lock out your  
competitors**



**Average deal is**

**\$150k**

**Vendor agnostic so you  
can cross and upsell with  
nearly all customers**



# How can Westcon help you grow your Cortex XSOAR business?

## Westcon value added services



Trained sales and technical team with a deep knowledge of SOAR and Cortex XSOAR (in addition to the full Palo Alto Networks product portfolio)



Sales and technical training to skill up your team



Data profiling to help you identify target companies within your existing customer base



Marketing support to help you roll out a campaign to generate opportunities



Pre sales and BDM support to help you close opportunities



Dedicated Palo Alto Networks team to help you with deal regs and quotes



Full range of services including finance to support your deals



Palo Alto Networks Authorized Global Training Partner offering extensive training for your team and your end users



Dedicated Palo Alto Networks Elite Authorised Support Center offering best in class L1/L2 multi lingual support



# Resources & further info

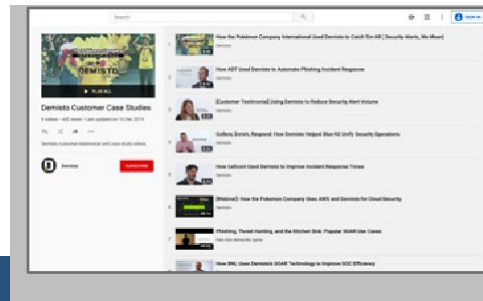
The following resources are available to help you:



**Demisto blog**



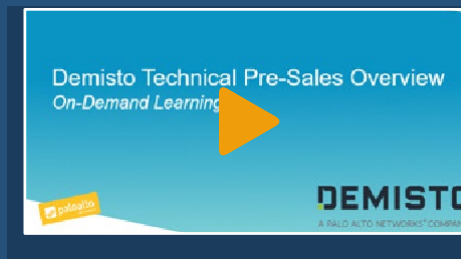
**Demisto YouTube channel**



**Demisto video case studies Demisto 30 day free trial**



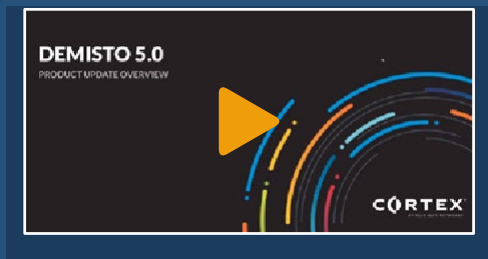
**Technical course**  
5 hours 10 minutes



**Pre-sales**  
2 hours



**Sales - Cortex + Demisto**  
1 hour



**Demisto 5.0**  
5 minutes

Demisto sales, marketing & technical content on the Partner Portal

Demisto 'Journey to the Center of the SOC' campaign assets

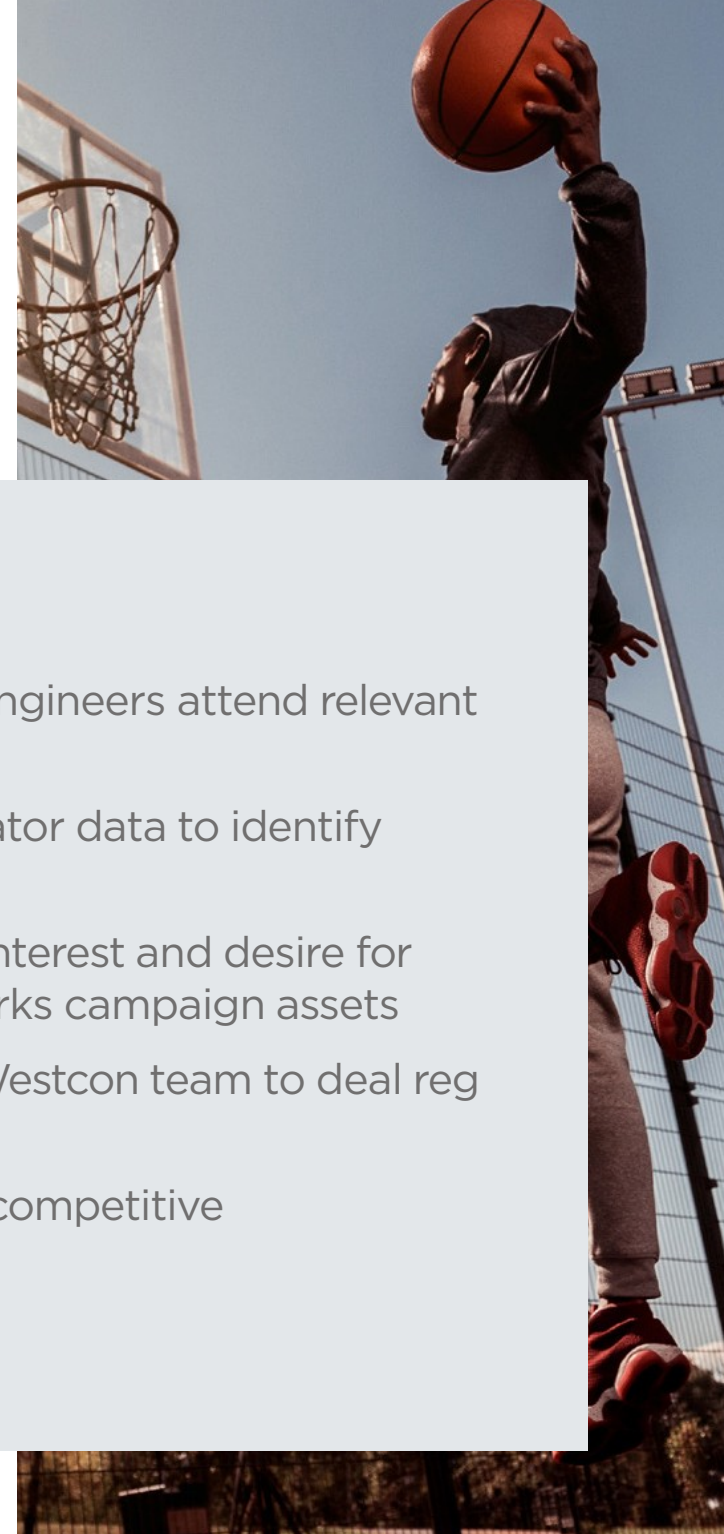
# How to get started

Westcon is looking to work with a small number of focus partners to help them establish and grow their SOAR business with Palo Alto Networks.

## To get started partners will need to:

- Have a valid Palo Alto Networks partner certification
- Demonstrate a commitment to ensure their sales and pre sales engineers attend relevant training organised for them by Westcon
- Supply current customer list so that Westcon can pull SOC indicator data to identify companies likely to have a SOC that can be targeted
- Jointly fund an initial marketing campaign to create awareness, interest and desire for Demisto within the target customers leveraging Palo Alto Networks campaign assets
- Provide regular updates on leads generated and work with the Westcon team to deal reg these as soon as possible
- Ask Westcon for support if opportunities get stalled or become competitive
- Put all of the above into their Palo Alto Networks business plan

**To get started please contact your BDM**





**Start to explore the SOAR  
opportunity now and  
contact your Westcon  
Account Manager**

Or contact the EMEA team

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## About Westcon-Comstor

Westcon-Comstor (Westcon International) has been a leading global technology distributor for over 30 years. Today, we continue to lead the market through unrivalled channel support and expertise in global deployment, digital distribution and services. Deep market insight and vendor relationships coupled with a uniquely collaborative approach enables our partners across the supply chain to deliver the solutions they need to grow and thrive in today's digital world.