



PeerStory: Mend

This PeerStory is a collection of quotes from a real user sharing their experience using Mend on PeerSpot.



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Use Case

We use Mend (formerly WhiteSource) for automating open-source vulnerability, by finding the open-source libraries that were used and fixing them. Additionally, we set up policies to disallow some of the risky open sources to be used in our solutions by developers. We are able to scan and fix vulnerabilities in our containers, to ensure that if there are any licenses that violate the open source usage or put our product at risk, we make sure that either we remove or remediate the open sources with risky licenses.

Valuable Features

We use a lot of open sources with a variety of containers, and the different open sources come with different licenses. Some come with dual licenses, some are risky and some are not. All our three use cases are equally important to us and we found Mend (formerly WhiteSource) handles them decently.

Results

We did not have much security compliance implemented in our solutions. Whatever we did, we had to use the AWS built-in OWASP scanning, and we had to manually find out the versions of the open sources that fixed the issues of vulnerability. We then had to make sure that that updated version is sent in and

“We will now have confidence that there are not many errors made. We are able to do much more vulnerability fixing than we did manually, there are cost-savings, and less work involved.”

“We are saving time that we spent on resources because we no longer have to do it manually.”

code merged for a test. We found sometimes it took a lot of research to make sure that the version that we are upgrading to did fix the issue, et cetera. However, this is all manual research and is dependent on the knowledge of the developer or the engineer who did this work. It took time and did not ensure a high percentage of security compliance. **With Mend (formerly WhiteSource) in place, we are going to be able to do the whole process automatically and it will be confident that we removed the vulnerabilities and license violations.**

ROI

Our return on investment, in terms of our ability to showcase our solutions as secure and sell them, is going to be multifold. I'm expecting, at least, the return on investment of new sales and cross-sales will be at least six times higher.