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New antivirus to target Linux mailservers

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Linux's increased popularity as the preferred platform for many corporate mail servers means the operating system is becoming increasingly targeted by computer viruses. Looking to capture some of this AV market space, [MicroWorld Technologies](#) has released a test version of its Linux antivirus product.

Released in May as a beta, MailScan for Linux has been tested on RedHat 8 and RedHat 9.

"The product should work without any problem on SuSE and Slackware Distributions which are equivalent with RH8 and RH9," MicroWorld marketing and communications manager, Kshipra Saxena, said.

MailScan for Linux worked with most GNU/Linux mail servers, she said. Some examples were Sendmail, Postfix, Qmail and Exim.

Saxena said the product was the only Linux-based AV which supplied antivirus and anti-spam tools bundled together.

"This provides one-stop mail content security, not just protection against virus and worms," she said.

Based on the Kaspersky AV engine, Saxena said MailScan for Linux provided an easy to use Web-based configuration and management tool.

"This lowers costs of securing and managing mail servers, in terms of software licenses and man hours," she said.

On the spam front, the product uses Realtime Blackhole List (RBL) and/or Dial-up User List (DUL) for spam prevention. Both are configurable with a browser. It also provides both manual and regular Auto updates of Virus and Spam Databases.

MicroWorld Technologies is new to this market segment. Other vendors to already provide Linux antivirus products include McAfee LinuxShield, Kaspersky AntiVirus for Linux, Trend Micro InterScan VirusWall and F-Prot Antivirus for Linux (sold locally by Custom Technology). Another well-known Linux AV maker was Romanian GeCAD Software, which was bought out by Microsoft last year. Since this acquisition, there has been no further sales of GeCAD products, and nor does any product information appear on the Microsoft website.

The MicroWorld product released is currently a beta version and will be ready for commercial release

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on June 6. MailScan for Linux is available in Australia through MicroWorld's master distributor, LANcare IT.

LANcare said it should be shipping MailScan for Linux locally in early July.


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