

Case study

Productive and protected:

Cloud-native endpoint security keeps ZOLTEK's global workforce secure anytime, anywhere.

Company	Industry	Country	Solution
ZOLTEK	Manufacturing	United States	<u>WithSecure™ Elements Endpoint Protection</u>

ZOLTEK has become the worldwide leader in rated capacity for producing carbon fiber by making low-cost, high performance carbon fiber through a proprietary continuous carbonization process. Protecting this intellectual property across a global remote workforce is a critical security outcome Honar Abbas, Global Security Manager at ZOLTEK, focuses on.

Ease of management creates peace of mind

A driving factor for selecting WithSecure™ Elements Endpoint Protection was the ease with which Honar and his global IT team can monitor system status anywhere, anytime, so long as they are connected to the internet. The ease of management gives Honar and his team peace of mind, knowing “when we’re not in the office there is a reliable system protecting us, keeping clear logs for us to review if there’s anything that needs investigation.”

More importantly, the Elements agent does not require a VPN to be enabled; if the endpoint is connected to the internet, WithSecure™ Elements Endpoint Protection is active, scanning and updating to keep that endpoint secure. This feature is critical to securing a global workforce which, prior to the pandemic, traveled very frequently, and is now distributed remotely throughout North America and Europe.

Switching to the cloud-native WithSecure™ Elements was easy to implement as well. Honar and his team appreciated the friendly support of the WithSecure™ team who was readily available, so the ZOLTEK team had all every understanding needed to make the transition seamless without any outages or complications.

Productive and protected

WithSecure™ Elements Endpoint Protection has enabled productivity for the entire ZOLTEK team. A globalized policy manager allows the IT team in Europe to monitor and maintain the computers in North America while the team is offline, and vice versa when Europe is offline. Additionally, IT no longer needs to track which endpoints haven’t connected to VPN and remind employees to connect so they can get a status update on the endpoint, allowing everyone to focus on their primary responsibilities.

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Honar categorizes this project as an overall success. “The fact that I can log into WithSecure™ Elements tenant and I can see every computer on my network and see what needs update, what needs action, is a huge win for me.”

About ZOLTEK

ZOLTEK has become the worldwide leader in rated capacity for producing carbon fiber by making low-cost, high performance carbon fiber through a proprietary continuous carbonization process. In the world of materials, carbon fiber has emerged as the ultimate team player – one that works miracles in reinforcing other materials and lifting them to new levels of performance.

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Who We Are

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