Securely managing digital evidence
The UK government has committed £160m to digital courts to remove the ‘mountains of paperwork’ currently associated with case files. This investment also affects police forces as they have to ensure that they can exchange the information in their case preparation systems digitally with their CJS partners.

Not only do police forces have to provide case files digitally, they also face an ever-growing challenge with digital media sources and being able to gather, catalogue and analyse data from multiple sources in multiple formats to extract key evidential material. They own and control some of these sources, such as digital interview devices or body worn video, but most data comes from uncontrolled sources such as third-party CCTV, the public or the news media. The knowledge and experience that we’ve used to develop EvidenceWorks® provides a secure, open and scalable solution for managing evidence for UK criminal justice agencies, including the ability to ingest, catalogue, store, analyse and share media from multiple sources.

Supporting a digital criminal justice system

**EvidenceWorks® or third-party ‘edge devices’ or external data sources**
- Fully MoPI compliant
- Integrated with core police systems
- Integrated workflow management
- Full search, retrieve, edit and share functionality
- Full access, security and activity audits

**A flexible modular solution**

**Data sources**
- EvidenceWorks® or third-party ‘edge devices’ or external data sources
- Integrated with EvidenceWorks® IRS either via direct connection or proprietary databases

**Source integration layer**
- Modules for managing the ingestion and cataloguing of media files from chosen data sources
- Integration using standard web services technology

**EvidenceWorks® DEM**
- Central core database that can integrate with force tiered storage solutions
- Maintains evidential integrity through audit and access controls
- MoPI compliant
- Modular licensing for data sources

**EvidenceWorks® manager**
- Provides user access to stored data for search and retrieval
- Specialist audio and video services for review and edit, case file building and workflow
- System management, profiles and configuration

**EvidenceWorks® analytics (future)**
- Automated video analytics through object / facial / event recognition

**Core system integration**
- Integrates with core police systems such as RMS and national CDIS
- Works with multiple systems, enabling regional collaboration

**Service and support**
- 24 / 7 / 365 UK application support
- UK field service support for EvidenceWorks® supplied data source devices

**Benefits**

- **Open**
  - Web service interfaces and open integration with data sources and core systems

- **Scalable**
  - Operationally live and procured for a regional deployment
  - Integrates with tiered storage

- **Flexible**
  - Modular approach allowing phased growth

- **Organisational**
  - De-duplication of data storage
  - Improved data quality
  - Reduced data entry
  - Each item can be allocated a workflow for review by a user

- **Audit**
  - All user access and actions recorded and auditable

- **MoPI**
  - Full review, retain and delete management of data

- **Evidential integrity**
  - Original media retained and copies / edits audited

- **Roadmap**
  - Continuous product development
  - Examples - secure portal, smartcard integration, analytics

- **Capabilities**
  - Metadata from native devices or added by users
  - Ingest, catalogue, search / retrieve, clip / edit, share
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