

## Microsoft Bolster Cloud Security With Adallom

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Microsoft coughs up \$250 million for Israel-based cloud security specialist Adallom, a purchase the company describes as "the latest example of Microsoft's commitment to delivering innovative identity and security capabilities."



Rumours of the acquisition initially started back in July 2015, following a report by Israeli business news organisation Globes.

Founded in 2012, Adallom provides identity-based, security-as-a-service protection for enterprise application data and content stored on both on-premises and public clouds. It handles popular cloud applications, including Salesforce, Box, Dropbox, ServiceNow, Ariba and (obviously) Office 365.

In 2014 the company helped defeat a Zeus malware variant affecting Salesforce users, and 2013 saw the company discover an Office 365 token vulnerability.

Adallom is not the first Israel-based cloud security specialist owned by Microsoft-- in 2013 the company bought Aorato, a hybrid cloud security specialist to bolster Active Director security.

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