

Diogenes' Lab Test Flame Ratings

Diogenes Analytical Laboratories and SearchStorage.com teamed together to create disk-to-disk buyer's guidelines that help IT buyers differentiate between products and select the best candidates for their own situation. For this report, we took 13 different products into the lab and ran them through their paces. We compared products based on ease-of-use, manageability, features/functions and technical support systems. Our opinions are based on the experience of more than a decade of implementing and managing data protection systems.

Company	Product	Installation	Management/ Configuration	Operation/ Functionality	Recoverability	Support	Interoperability	
EMC	CLARiiON Disk Library	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	<small>Sportist Candidate</small> Diogenes
Tributary Systems, Inc.	SCP/VITAL	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	<small>Sportist Candidate</small> Diogenes
Avamar	Axion	👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	<small>Sportist Candidate</small> Diogenes
Diligent	ProtecTIER	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	
SEPATON	S2100	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	
Hewlett-Packard	VLS6500	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	
Data Domain	DD 400	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍	
Network Appliance	VTL	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	
Neartek	VSE 3.0	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	
Overland Storage	REO 9000	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	
Spectra Logic	RXT	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍	👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍	
FalconStor	VTL 1000	👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	👍👍	👍👍👍👍👍	
Fujitsu-Siemens	CentricStor	👍👍	👍👍	👍👍	👍👍👍👍	👍👍	👍👍	

Legend:

🔥🔥🔥🔥🔥 (Five flames): Excellent - We couldn't find anything to complain about.

🔥🔥🔥🔥 (Four flames): Very Good - We were very satisfied, but the product either lacked some "nice to haves" or experienced minor glitches.

🔥🔥🔥 (Three flames): Satisfactory - It works OK, but is not a distinguishing feature.

🔥🔥 (Two flames): Fair - Lags most competitors in the category.

🔥 (One flame): Poor - We wouldn't spend our money on it.

How Diogenes Shortlist Candidates were chosen: Shortlist candidates are products that we believe offer high caliber functionality and capabilities to meet the needs of most IT organizations. Other products may be considered as "best of breed" for specific applications and situations in which they excel.