

# NetApp SnapCenter 4.6 Quick Reference Guide

## Value Proposition

NetApp® SnapCenter® is a unified, scalable software and plug-in suite for application- and database-consistent data protection and clone management. Enterprise application and database administrators can easily self-manage their data protection and data clones while maintaining centralized control for IT infrastructure administrators through powerful policies and reporting capabilities.

## Key Messages

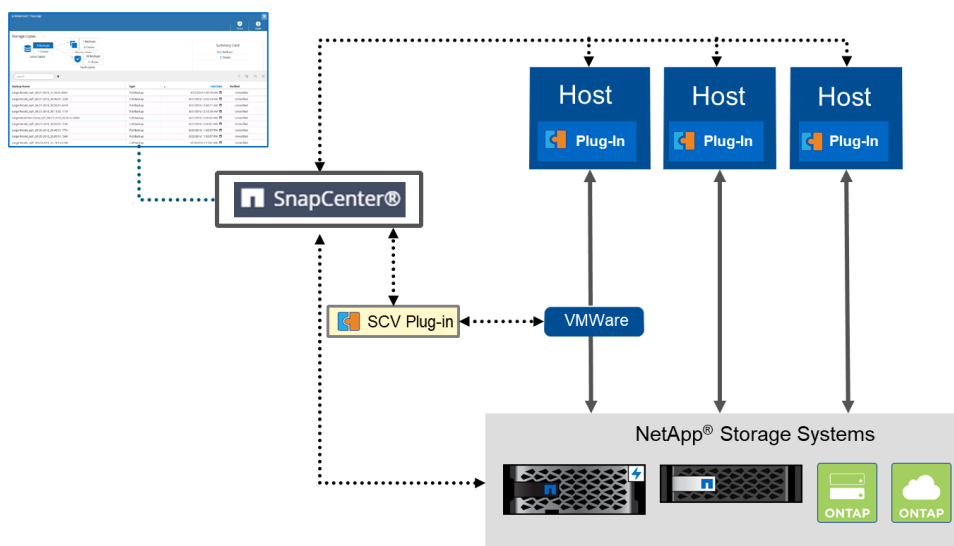
### Benefits

- Simplifies backup, restore, and clone management equipped with centralized interface for all supported applications
- Reduces testing and development time with storage-based data management
- Offers role-based access control to empower application administrators to self-service while providing centralized oversight
- Extensive REST APIs available: 1) the ones support application-level disaster recovery (DR) management workflow integration, and 2) the ones for Oracle plug in to integrate automation and SnapCenter workflows into their operations management system.
- Eases VMware backup and recovery with Linux-based SnapCenter Plug-in for VMWare vSphere appliance with security and automation
- Adds vVOL integration for protection and recovery of VMs hosted on vVOLs.
- Provides archive log management that simplifies and enhances point in time recovery management of Oracle databases
- Realizes seamless protection of HANA Studio and Hana System Replication (HSR) enabled configuration with additional visibility to DR failover and fall back
- Adds Oracle plugin enhancements, for a smoother transition from SnapManager

### Reference: Key enhancements to v4.6:

- VMware, MS-SQL and HANA plugins for additional security and automation, plus ONTAP ecosystem integration
- vVOL integration that equips customers to protect and recover VMs hosted on vVOLs
- Archive log management that simplifies and enhances point in time recovery management of Oracle databases
- REST APIs for Oracle plugin that enables enterprise customers to integrate automation and SnapCenter workflows into their operations management system.
- REST APIs for disaster recovery management that helps database administrators to integrate SnapCenter workflows into application-level DR solutions.
- With added visibility to disaster recovery (DR) failover and fallback orchestrated through SAP HANA Studio and HANA System Replication (HSR), SnapCenter realizes seamless protection of HSR enabled configuration.

## SnapCenter



## Qualifying Questions

- Do your application administrators manage backups?
- Do you need a single interface to manage backups of all your workloads?
- Do your operations require frequent copies of production data?
- Do you want to reduce your backup software cost?
- Do you want to reduce backup times while taking more frequent Snapshot™ copies of production data?

## Follow-Up Questions

- Have you deployed Microsoft SQL Server, Oracle Database, SAP HANA, or Microsoft Exchange Server? Is it a physical or a virtual environment?
- Have you deployed VMware? Are you interested in backing up your virtual machines?
- Have you deployed NetApp ONTAP® software?
- Do you want to leverage the ONTAP data management capabilities by using simple, scalable, policy-based data protection management software?

## Competitive Differentiators

- The NetApp SnapManager® suite is industry proven (10+ years). SnapCenter takes it to the next level. And NetApp will continually add more application support.
- You can sell the combined value of SnapCenter and ONTAP.
- A storage-integrated data protection product is only as good as the underlying storage system.
- NetApp ONTAP Snapshot technology cuts backup and restore times from hours to seconds.

## What You Will Sell

### Required Components

- SnapCenter Server 4.4
- SnapCenter Plug-Ins for Microsoft SQL Server, Oracle Database, SAP HANA, and Microsoft Exchange Server
- SnapCenter Plug-In for Microsoft Windows
- SnapCenter Plug-In for VMware vSphere
- Community-supported plug-ins are available

### Where to Sell

- Any environment supported by NetApp ONTAP (version 9.0 and later)
- IT infrastructure, application, database, and virtual infrastructure (VI) administration teams
- Customers who use NetApp Snapshot copies and do not have a consistent, centralized tool for backup, restore, and cloning
- Microsoft SQL Server, Oracle Database, SAP HANA, and Microsoft Exchange Server environments
- Enterprise customers with many database instances who are looking for delegated data protection and clone management with NetApp
- Environments that have other applications or databases that can be protected by custom plug-ins with SnapCenter
- Customers with a significant ONTAP storage footprint who are willing to use NetApp only backup software to cut backup software costs and to more effectively leverage ONTAP data management capabilities

### Where to Go for More Information

- [Field Portal, SnapCenter collection](#)
- Contact [ng-SnapCenter-feedback@netapp.com](mailto:ng-SnapCenter-feedback@netapp.com)

## Competitive Positioning



- Simple, ONTAP optimized solution
- Disk-based (no tape support) backup and recovery and clone lifecycle management for both physical and virtualized environments
- Most affordable solution included in the Premium Bundle of FAS, and All Flash FAS systems



- Easy, “agentless” deployment model
- Comprehensive VMware solution with tape support
- Designed for midsize environments
- Heterogeneous
- Integrated with NetApp Snapshot and SnapMirror technologies



- Most sophisticated data protection solution
- Broadest server OS, storage platform, and application ecosystem, with advanced tape support
- Heterogeneous
- Integrated with NetApp Snapshot and SnapMirror technologies

## Supported Platforms

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Application and database support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Microsoft Exchange Server</li> <li>▪ SAP HANA (physical/virtual)</li> <li>▪ Microsoft SQL Server (physical/virtual)</li> <li>▪ Oracle Database on Linux/AIX (physical/virtual)</li> <li>▪ SAP on SQL Server and Oracle Database (physical/virtual)</li> <li>▪ Microsoft Windows file system (physical/virtual)</li> <li>▪ User-defined custom plug-ins</li> </ul>
NetApp® storage*	NetApp AFF, FAS, ONTAP® Select, Cloud Volume ONTAP
NetApp SnapCenter® Server OS support*	Microsoft Windows Server 2012, 2012 R2, 2016 and 2019 (physical/virtual)
Protocols	FC, FCoE, iSCSI, NFS, dNFS

\* Consult the NetApp Interoperability Matrix Tool (IMT) for supported software versions.