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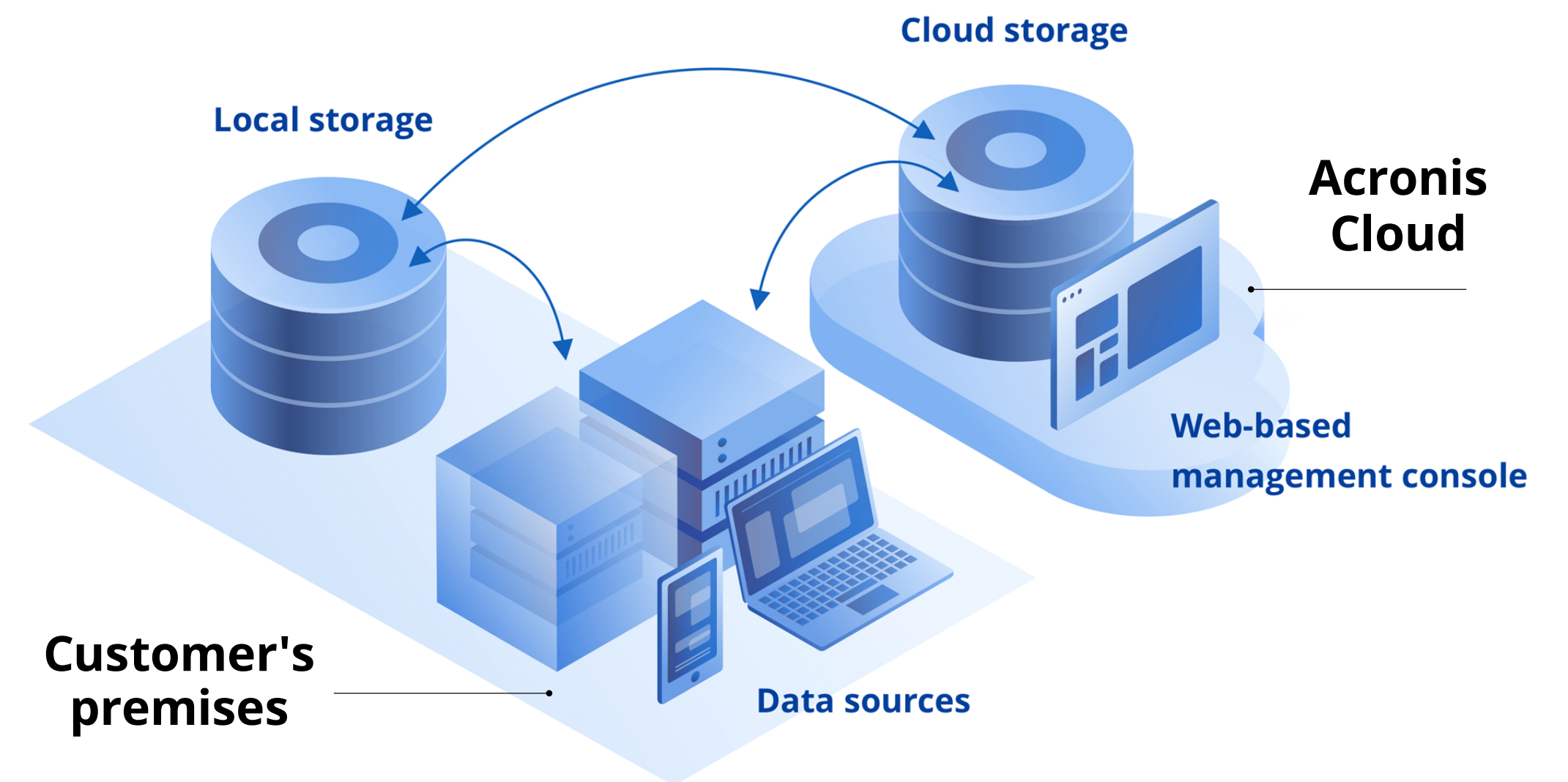
Acronis Cyber Backup as a Service

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Acronis Cyber Backup is the best solution on the data protection market. It is available through two deployment models: on your premises or in the Acronis Cloud, without limiting functionality.

Acronis Cyber Backup as a Service leverages a wide variety of data protection capabilities including easy management of large environments, any-to-any recovery, cloud storage, cloud DR, and cloud-to-cloud backup of O365 and G Suite via a single, centralized web-based management console.

Get rid of on-premises backup complexity and explore the advanced functionality of Acronis Cyber Backup installed in the Acronis Cloud.



What's new in Acronis Cyber Backup as a Service

Easy

- Application-aware Hyper-V and Oracle Database backup and recovery
- Cluster-aware backup of Microsoft SQL Server and Microsoft Exchange Server
- Microsoft Office 365 public folders backup
- Granular Microsoft Exchange mailbox backup

Efficient

- New Performance and Backup window
- Centralized backup plan management and group management of devices
- Ability to add comments to devices
- Instant Restore with VM finalization for Hyper-V
- New device status rules
- Script-based backup location targeting

Secure

- Automatic backup file notarization
- Automatic system-information save, if a reboot recovery fails
- Encrypted backups support for disaster recovery
- Five locations for replication in a backup plan
- Secure Zone management from the backup console

...and new features in the **Acronis Disaster Recovery add-on**

Easy





Application-aware VM backup on Hyper-V

Enable application-aware backup of Hyper-V VMs
without the need to install per-VM agents

Gain ease-of-use and cost-efficiency.

The new application-aware backup of Hyper-V VMs by the Agent for Hyper-V improves backup and recovery of Microsoft SQL Server, Microsoft Exchange Server, Microsoft SharePoint, and Active Directory Domain Services running on Hyper-V.

New backup plan

WHAT TO BACK UP	Entire machine 
APPLICATION BACKUP	Microsoft SQL Server Microsoft Active Directory
WHERE TO BACK UP	Cloud storage
SCHEDULE	Monday to Friday at 11:00 PM
HOW LONG TO KEEP	Monthly: 6 months Weekly: 4 weeks Daily: 7 days
ENCRYPTION	<input type="checkbox"/> Off 

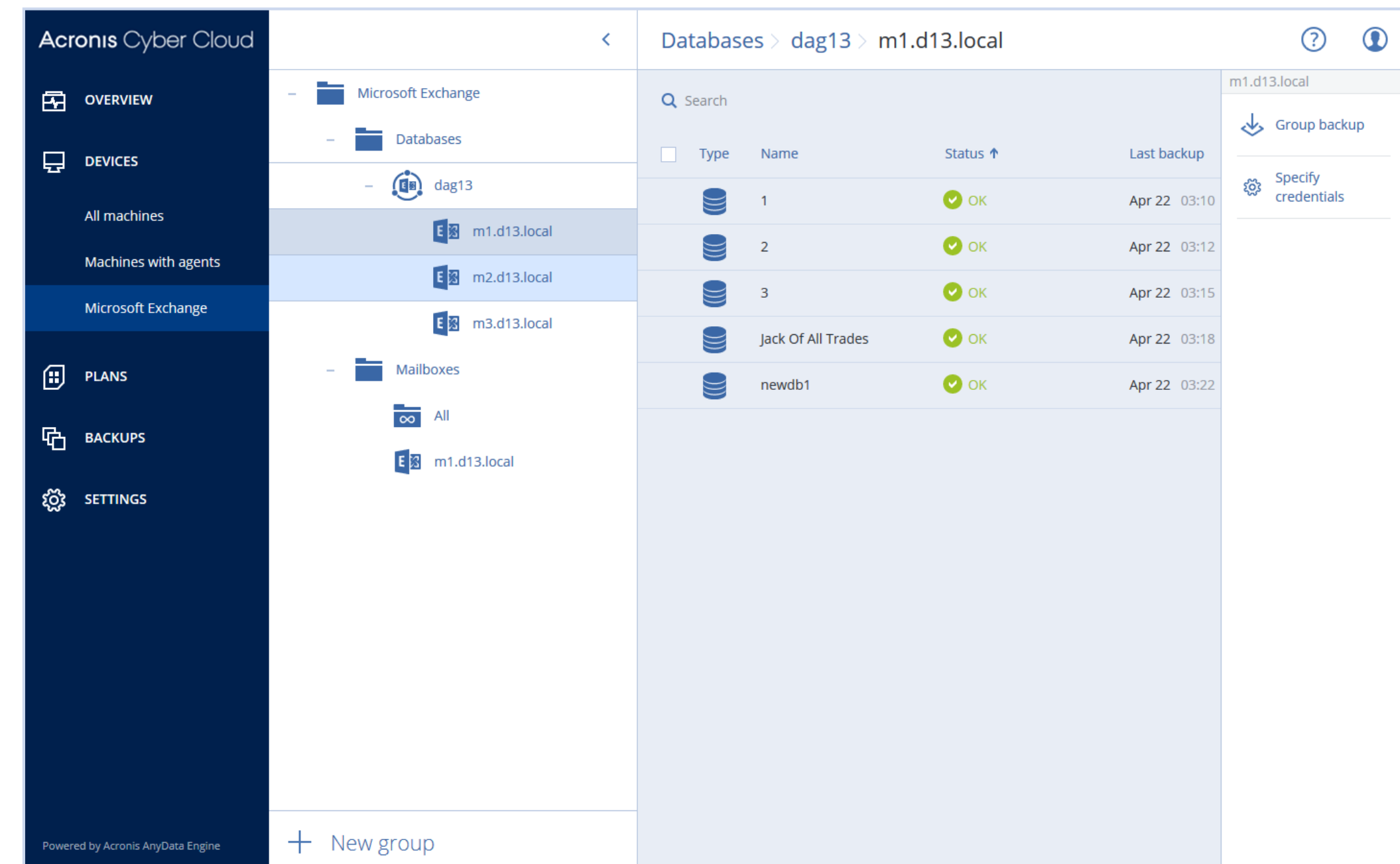
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Cluster-aware backup of Microsoft SQL Server and Microsoft Exchange Server

Enable backup and reliable recovery of clustered Microsoft applications data, even in the event of a database logical corruption or a cluster-wide disaster.

Acronis Cyber Backup service discovers and takes into account the structure of the cluster and tracks all data relocation to enable safe backups.

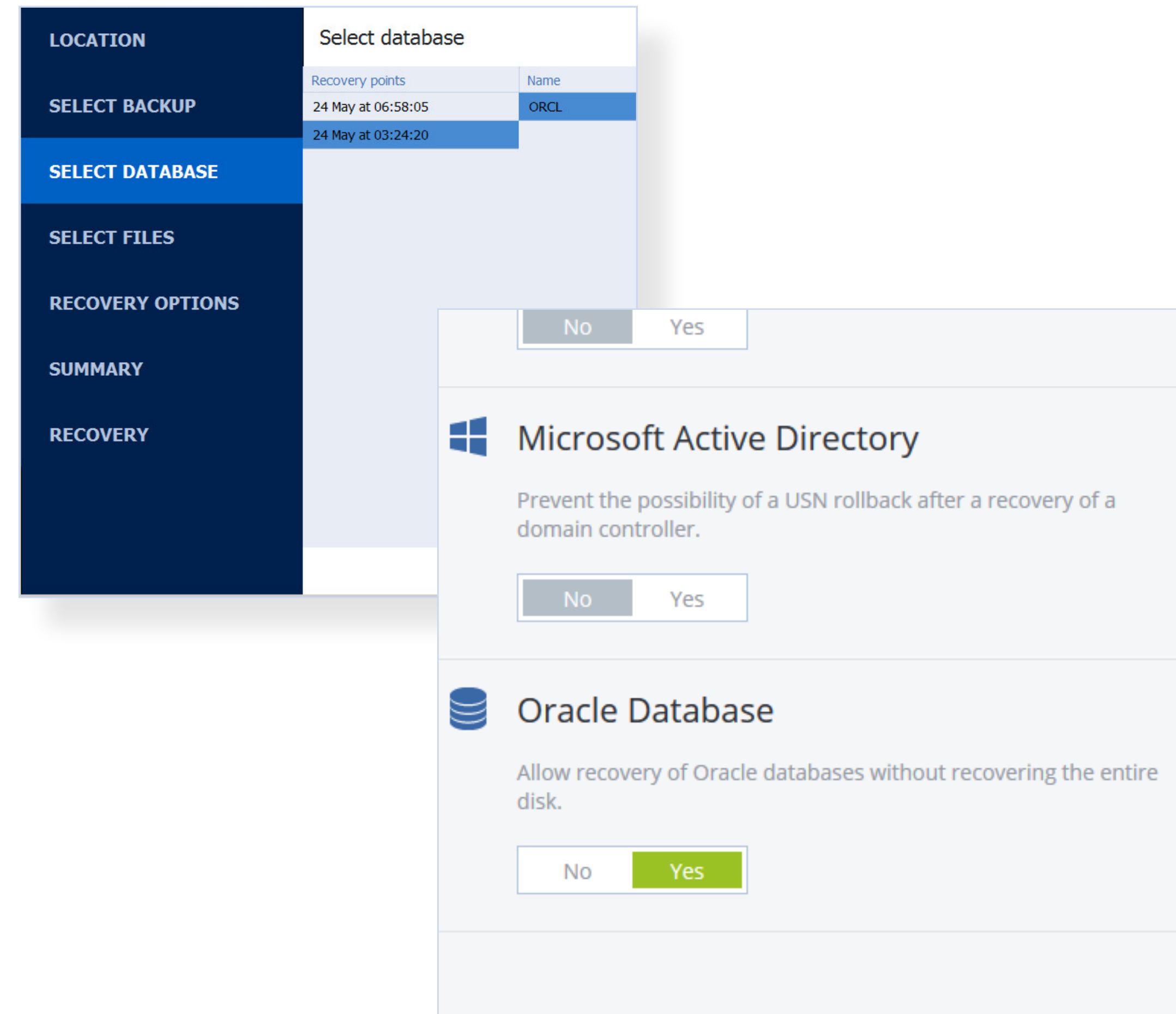


Application-aware Oracle Database backup

Protect Oracle Database data and ensure quick application recovery times

Acronis Cyber Backup as a Service now includes application-aware server-level and database-level backup and recovery for Oracle Database.

It also offers integration with RMAN for restoration and ready-to-use RMAN scripts for more sophisticated scenarios.

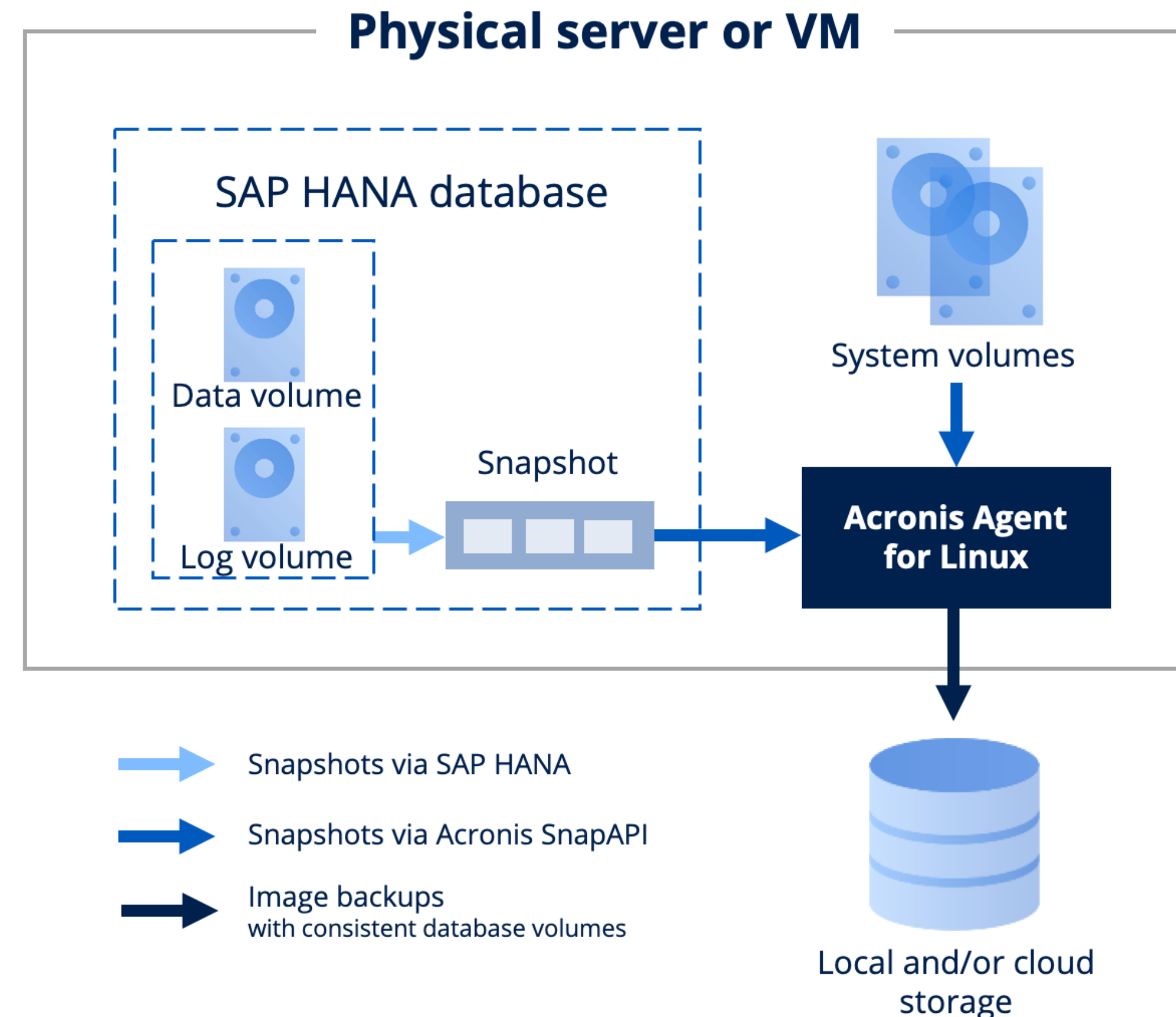


Application-aware SAP HANA backup

Enable quick, reliable recovery of SAP HANA database servers

To protect the database data from disk storage failures and logical errors, you can create consistent disk-level backups of servers running SAP HANA in a simple, straightforward manner that does not require any SAP HANA knowledge or expertise.

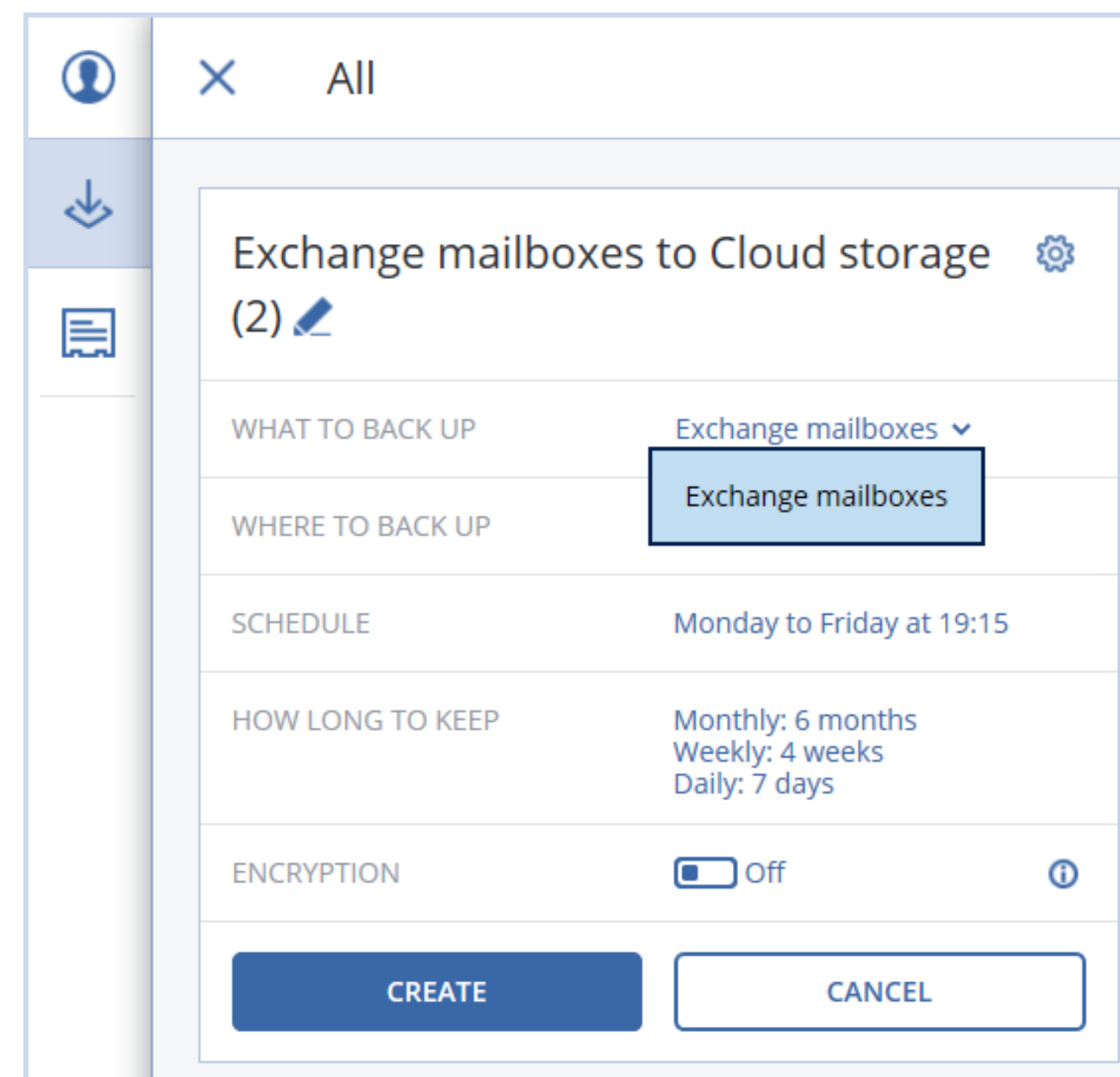
You can then reliably recover SAP HANA servers to bare metal, same or different hardware, and migrate them from a physical machine to a virtual machine and vice versa — the SAP HANA data inside the backup will be consistent.



Granular Microsoft Exchange mailbox backup

Back up and recover specific mailboxes without the need to back up the entire server or databases.

This backup is done remotely so there is no need to install the Exchange agent on the machine with the Exchange server.



The screenshot displays a configuration window titled "Exchange mailboxes to Cloud storage (2)" with a settings gear icon. The window is divided into several sections for configuring the backup:

- WHAT TO BACK UP:** Set to "Exchange mailboxes" with a dropdown arrow.
- WHERE TO BACK UP:** Set to "Exchange mailboxes" (highlighted with a blue box).
- SCHEDULE:** Set to "Monday to Friday at 19:15".
- HOW LONG TO KEEP:** Options include "Monthly: 6 months", "Weekly: 4 weeks", and "Daily: 7 days".
- ENCRYPTION:** A toggle switch is set to "Off", with an information icon (i) to the right.

At the bottom of the window are two buttons: "CREATE" (in blue) and "CANCEL" (in white with a blue border).

Efficient



Backup jobs time-window settings

Minimize the impact on running systems by setting backup window times in your backup plans

Set up backup window settings easily and minimize impact on running systems via the Performance and Backup window:

- 1 Set up a preferred backup timeframe
- 2 Define the priority of the backup process in the operating system
- 3 Limit the output speed during backup process

The screenshot displays the 'Backup options' window in the Acronis Cyber Cloud interface. The left sidebar contains a search bar and a list of settings categories. The 'Performance and backup window' category is selected and highlighted. The main panel on the right is titled 'Customize performance and backup window settings' and features a 'Yes' button. Below this is a calendar grid for scheduling backup windows. The grid shows days of the week (Sun to Sat) and time slots (00 to 24). A blue bar indicates the selected backup window from 12:00 to 15:00 on Monday. A green circle with the number '1' points to this calendar grid. Below the calendar, there are two sections for performance settings. The first section has a green bar and includes 'CPU priority' (set to Low) and 'Output speed' (set to 100%). A green circle with the number '2' points to the 'CPU priority' dropdown, and a green circle with the number '3' points to the 'Output speed' input field. The second section has a blue bar and includes 'CPU priority' (set to Low) and 'Output speed' (set to 25%). At the bottom, there is a 'No backing up' option with a grey bar.

Backup options

Search by name

Email notifications

Error handling

Fast incremental/differential backup

File filters

LVM snapshotting

Multi-volume snapshot

Performance and backup window

Pre-post commands

Pre-post data capture commands

SAN hardware snapshots

Scheduling

Sector-by-sector backup

Tape management

Task failure handling

Customize performance and backup window settings

No Yes

00 03 06 09 12 15 18 21 24

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

CPU priority Low

Output speed 100 %

CPU priority Low

Output speed 25 %

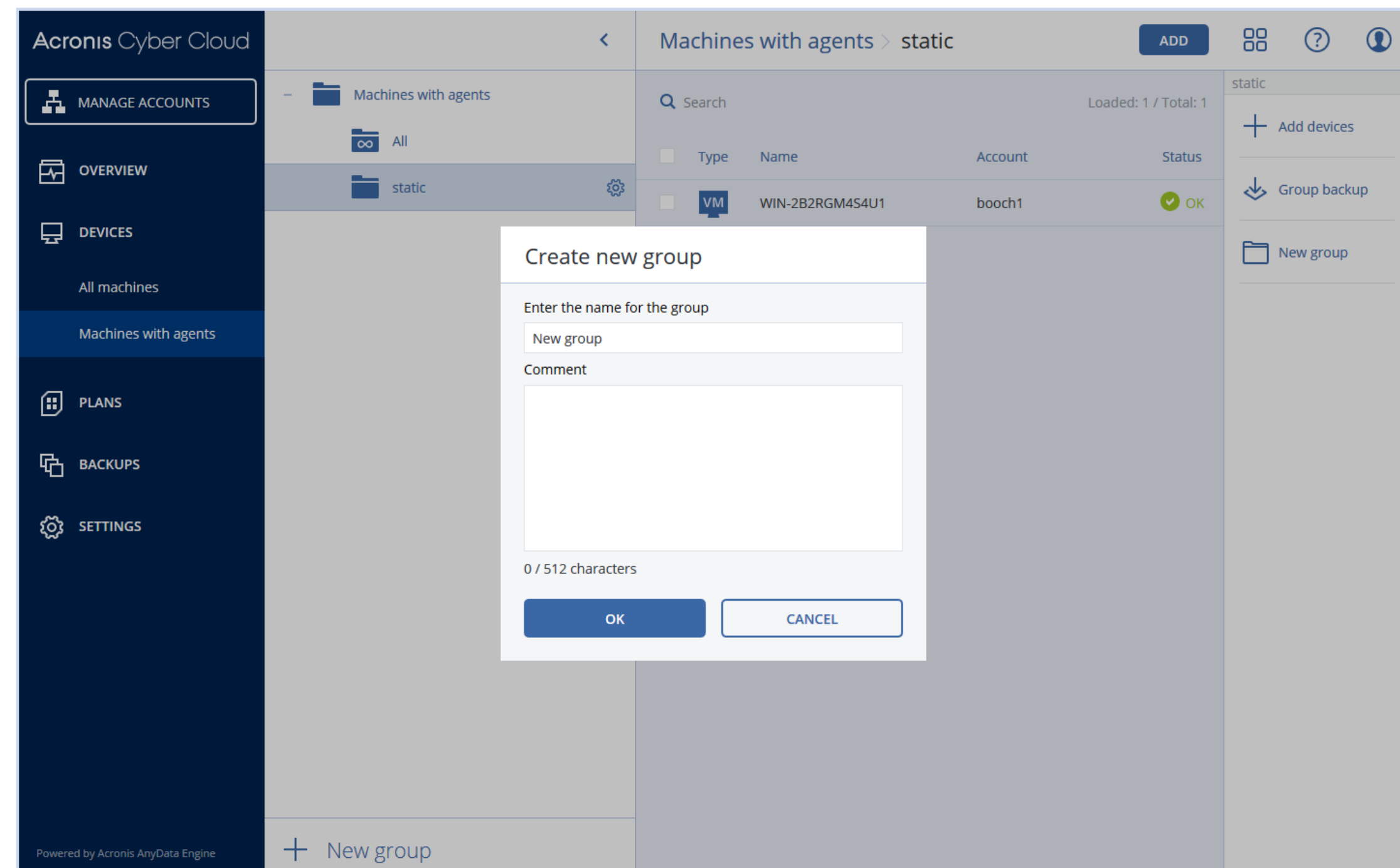
No backing up

Group management of devices

Manage a larger number of machines more quickly and easily

Create **static** or **dynamic** groups of machines and apply backup plans to the groups, not to each machine manually.

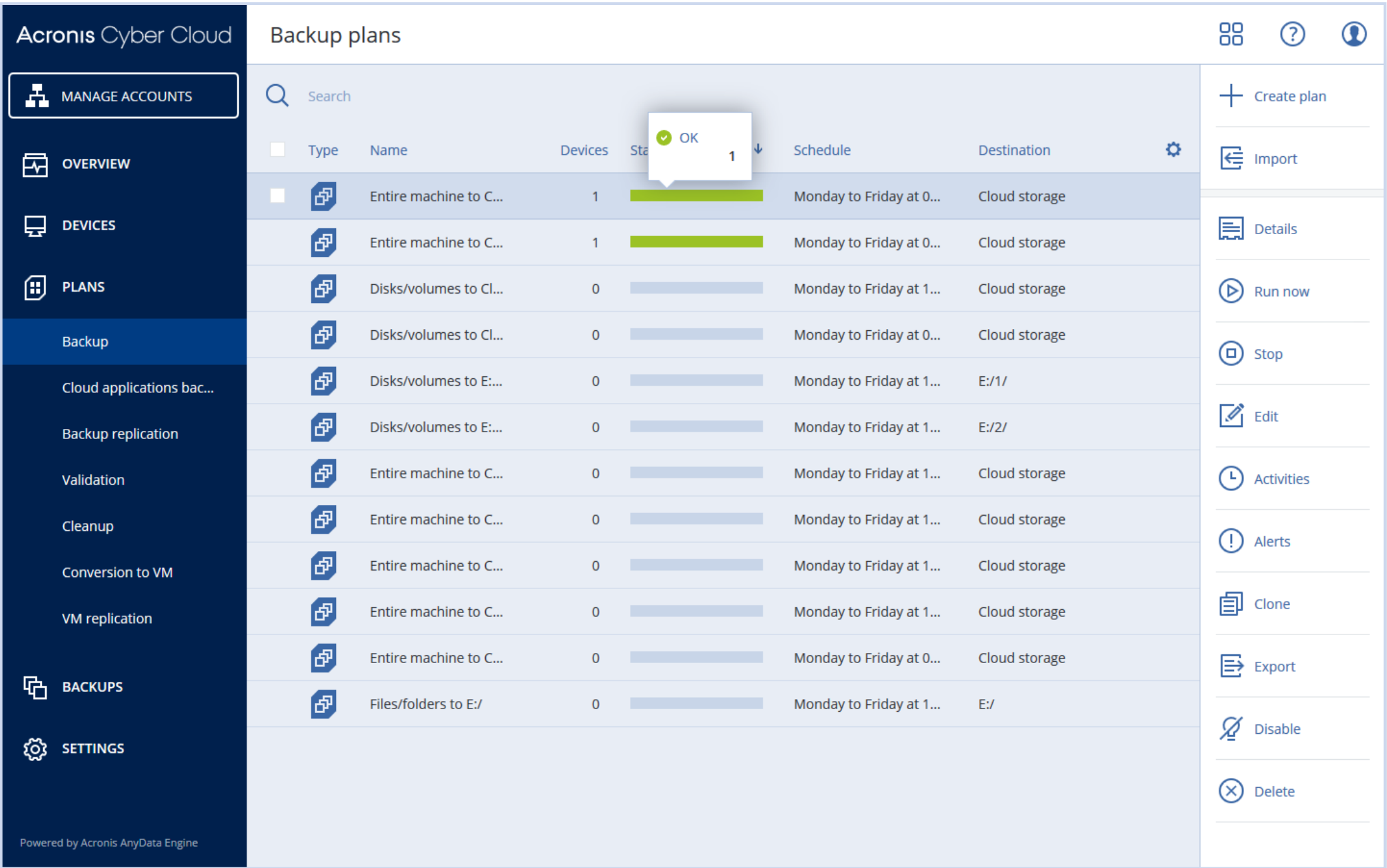
Once a new device is added to the group, the device automatically becomes protected by the specified backup plan.



Centralized backup plan management

Improve efficiency by managing backup plans from one tab

The new Plans tab shows all backup plans created in the account and their details. You can create, edit, disable, enable, delete, start the execution of and inspect the execution status of a plan.



Ability to add comments to devices

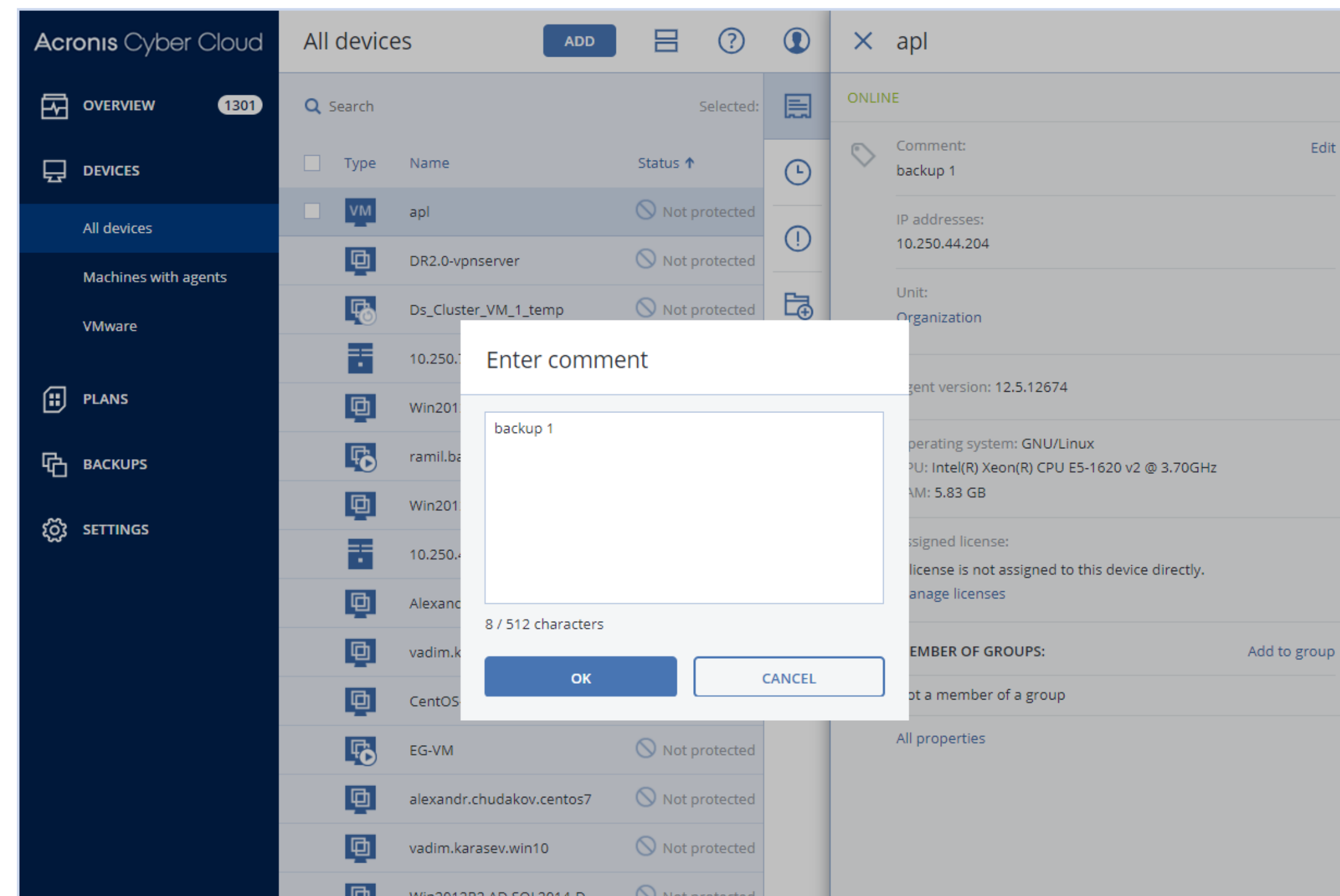
Organize devices by adding comments to each protected machine on the Details pane then easily manage them by keywords

The new capability to Comment allows for convenient searches and device grouping among all protected systems.

By adding comments to your machines you can:

- Add useful notes for your team members
- Search for devices by keywords
- Group them by keywords

(Advanced edition)



VM finalization on Hyper-V

Finalize Hyper-V virtual machines that are running from backups during recovery via Acronis Instant Restore

Start Windows or Linux virtual machines immediately from backup storage. Get your virtual machine (VM) running in mere seconds while Acronis Instant Restore technology invisibly moves data in the background to the host — without any downtime.

✕ Finalize 'SQL1_recover'

This virtual machine is running from a backup. Without finalization, the machine will become inaccessible or even corrupted if the connection is lost to the backup location or to the backup agent.

Finalization will permanently recover this machine to the host on which it is running. All changes that occurred while the machine was running will be preserved.

Datastore:
2.5TB_iscsi_bender

Machine name:

Provisioning:

Finalize

Cancel

New device status rules

Troubleshoot faster with new alert-based statuses

Alerts cover a wider range of events than just backup activity results, e.g. missed backups and ransomware activities.

The statuses are now much more descriptive so you can quickly understand what the problem is (instead of just “error” or “warning” notices).

You can clear alerts manually — this will change the status to “OK”.

VM	ex16.Acronis.local	✖ Machine is offline for more than 30 days
VM	qa-gw3t68hh	✖ Backup is missing
VM	ABA12-AMS	⚠ Backup status is unknown
📁	Win10x64_for_Demo	⚠ Activity succeeded with warnings
📁	10.250.194.111	✔ OK
📁	10.250.210.89	✔ OK
VM	125Acronis-Backup-VA-ESXi...	✔ OK
📁	APanin CentOS7 (without L...	✔ OK
VM	DESKTOP-HHNKBMQ	✔ OK
HYPER-V	Gen2Rhel72Rest	✔ OK

New backup option: Backup file name

Continue an existing sequence of backups,
no matter what

There are two main reasons to use the new backup
file-name templates:

- To force the backup plan to continue backing up
to the same backup or backup sequence — as
opposed to starting a full backup from scratch.
- To benefit from more user-friendly backup file
names, which you create manually.

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Backup options

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Search by name

Alerts

Backup file name

Backup validation

Changed block tracking (CBT)

Compression level

Error handling

Fast incremental/differential backup

File name template

[Machine Name]-[Plan ID]-[Unique ID]A

SELECT

If the file name template is changed, the next backup will be a full backup.

The following variables can be used:

[Machine Name]

[Plan ID]

[Plan name]

[Unique ID]

[Virtualization Server Type]

Example

machine_name-C5936899-8E8D-4562-B595-9703C9538BDB-B082122A-A300-4C5A-911B-03EDC17CDEC9A.tib

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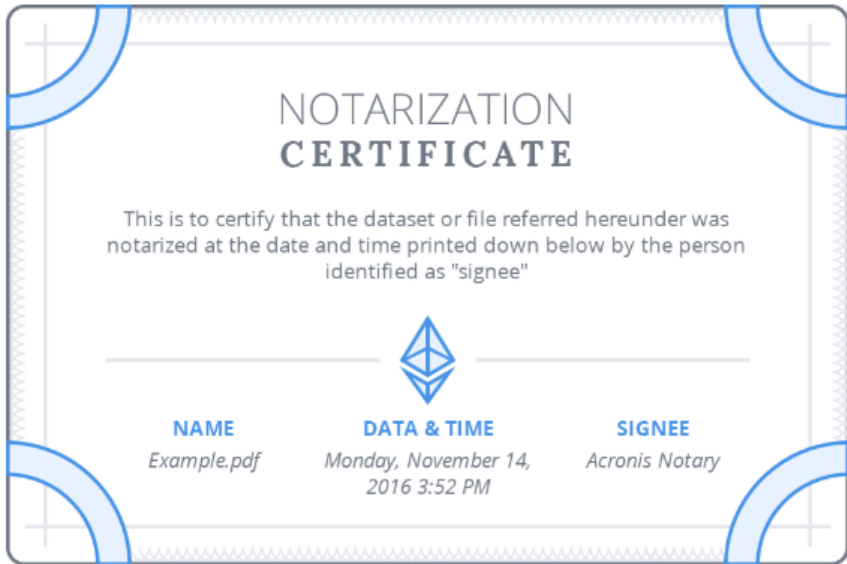


Backup file notarization option

Get independent validation that particular files are unchanged

To automatically notarize all files selected for backup, simply enable the Notarization option when you're creating a backup plan.

When configuring recovery, the notarized files will be marked with a special icon so you can easily verify the file's authenticity.



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Create plan

New backup plan

WHAT TO BACK UP	Files/folders	
DEVICES	No devices	
ITEMS TO BACK UP	Specify	
WHERE TO BACK UP	Specify	
SCHEDULE	Monday to Friday at 23:00	
HOW LONG TO KEEP	Weekly: 4 weeks Daily: 7 days	
ENCRYPTION	<input type="checkbox"/> Off	
NOTARIZATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On	

CREATE

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Easier Troubleshooting

Streamline the work your IT staff needs to do to identify restore problems

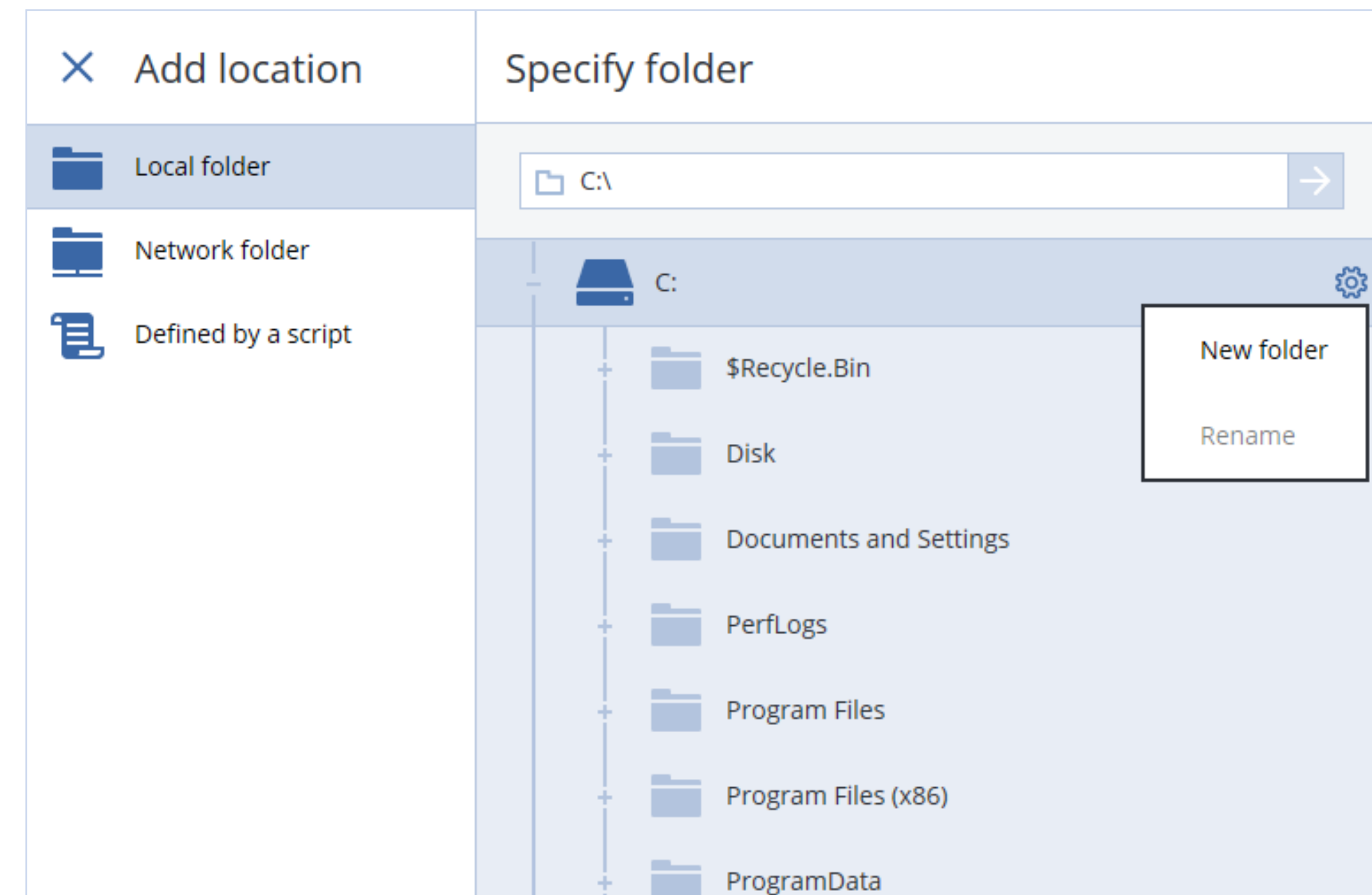
Save system information on a local disk or a network share if a recovery with reboot fails. Specify a folder on the local disk or on a network share where the log, system information, and crash dump files will be saved.



Five locations for replication in a backup plan

Increase data safety and accessibility and balance data retention and storage costs more precisely

You can specify up to five locations where backups are replicated and set up separate rules for each location: retention rules, backup performance windows, and to-VM conversion settings.



Secure Zone management from the backup console

Create and delete Secure Zones on your protected machines without leaving the backup console. You can specify the Secure Zone size and enable password protection if needed.

Your Secure Zone is a secure partition on a disk of the backed-up machine, which is used to store the machine's backups. It is a useful, cost-effective method to protect backups from software malfunctions, virus attacks, or human error. It enables quick recovery from the same disk where the backup resides — with no need for a network connection or separate media to recover the data.

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Create Secure Zone

Secure Zone disk

Disk 1, 60.0 GB

Maximum possible size of Secure Zone: 35.9 GB

Secure Zone size:

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GB

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There is not enough unallocated space. Free space will be taken from all volumes where it is present.

Select volumes

Password protection

Off

Other new features



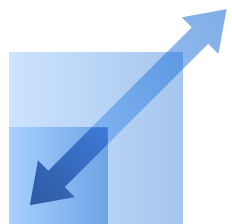
Backup retention rule improvements

Specify how long to keep backups (e.g. based on the total size of backups in local storage) and when to start a cleanup procedure — before or after backups.



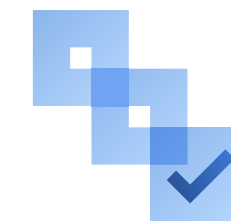
Assigning a virtual machine to a specific Agent for VMware (VM binding)

Assign a specific Agent for VMware to manage a specific virtual machine — as opposed to the default automatic agent-machine assignment. Manual binding is required in different cases, for example: if the Agent for VMware (virtual appliance) has locally attached storage, you will want to assign a dedicated agent to a very large VM; or, if you have multiple ESXi hosts that are separated geographically; etc.



Manual disk mapping when recovering machines

Re-map disks or volumes manually if you are dissatisfied with the disk-mapping result when performing recovery, or if the disk-mapping fails.



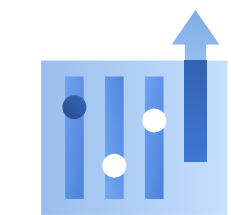
New recovery option: Boot mode

Select the boot mode that Windows will use after a recovery (BIOS or UEFI). If the original machine's boot mode is different from the selected boot mode, the software will initialize the recovery-to disk according to the option you select. Then it will adjust the Windows operating system so that it can start using the selected mode.



Default backup option management

Change a default option value against the pre-defined one for some backup options. The new value will be used by default in all backup plans created after you initiate the change.



Microsoft Office 365 public folder backup

Configure backup and recovery of Office 365 public folder data — in addition to many other types of items in Office 365.

New features in Acronis Disaster Recovery add-on



Encrypted backup support

Comply with data security requirements

Perform failovers using encrypted backups and allow the system to use securely stored passwords for automated disaster recovery operations.

The new Credential Store feature (accessible from the web console in the Disaster Recovery > Credential Store tab) allows you to securely store and manage passwords for encrypted server backups.

Comply with various data regulations (like HIPAA).

Encrypted backup passwords

Provide the encryption passwords for the backups of the original server. The passwords are stored in a secure storage.

If you do not provide a password for a backup, automated disaster recovery operations for this backup will not be available.

Backup name	Password	Credential name
<div><div></div>DBSERVER2012 - Backup to cloud 1</div> <div>RECENT</div>	<div>.....</div>	<div>New archive password</div>
<div><div></div>DBSERVER2012 - Backup to cloud 2</div>	<div>.....</div>	<div>Saved archive password</div>
<div><div></div>DBSERVER2012 - Backup to cloud 3</div>	<div></div>	<div></div>

Saved archive password 1

Saved archive password 2

Saved archive password 3

☒ Show all backups

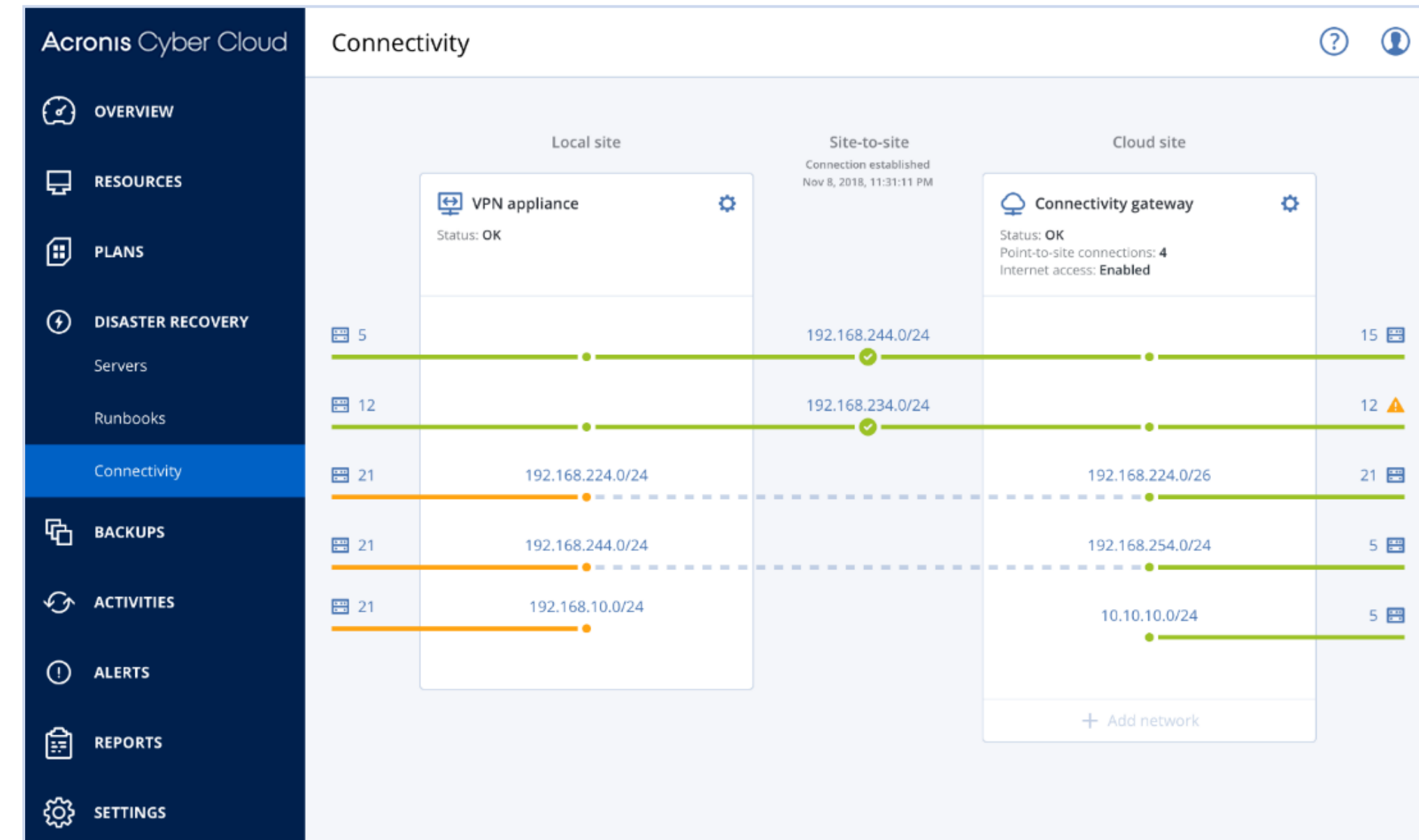
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Save

Multiple network support

Support more complex customer infrastructures

- Extend up to five local networks to the Acronis Cloud Recovery Site through the single site-to-site connection.
- Failover complex environments where protected servers are distributed across several network segments.
- See connectivity statuses of all five networks in one view.



VPN-less deployment option

Onboard customers more quickly and easily

- A VPN virtual appliance is not necessary for “point-to-site” connectivity.
- Switch from the “point-to-site” to “site-to-site” mode anytime.
- This option is especially useful for customers who want to quickly evaluate the service or don’t need to extend the local network to the cloud site.

Connectivity configuration

Choose the method of connection to the cloud recovery site

☒ Use site-to-site connection

Extend your local network to the cloud via a secure VPN tunnel.

- A VPN appliance needs to be deployed to a local ESXi or Hyper-V host
- Cloud servers are accessible through
 - Local network
 - Point-to-site VPN
 - Public IP addresses, if available
- Partial site failover is possible if the rest of the production site remains operational.

☐ Do not use site-to-site connection

The local and cloud networks operate as two independent segments.

- Cloud servers are accessible through
 - Point-to-site VPN
 - Public IP addresses, if available
- Partial site failover is possible only for independent workloads.

Cancel

Start

Recovery servers RPO compliance tracking

Improve SLA compliance

Define recovery point thresholds for the recovery servers to identify how "fresh" the cloud backup of the original machine (to perform failover) should be.

Track recovery point objective (RPO) compliance in real-time via the web console. Get alerts if the threshold is exceeded.

Acronis Cyber Cloud

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Connectivity

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ACTIVITIES

ALERTS

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Servers

Search

	Name ↑	Status	State	RPO compliance	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Server_W2K3_SP2_x64	OK	Test failover	Compliant	
<input type="checkbox"/>	finance08-Recovery	In progress...	Recovering...	Compliant	
<input type="checkbox"/>	fserver	RPO exceeded	Failover	Exceeded (1.3x)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Server RGYD6	OK	Standby	-	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Server_W2K8x64_SQL	OK	Ready for failback	Compliant	
<input type="checkbox"/>	fserver	OK	Running	Compliant	

+ Create primary server

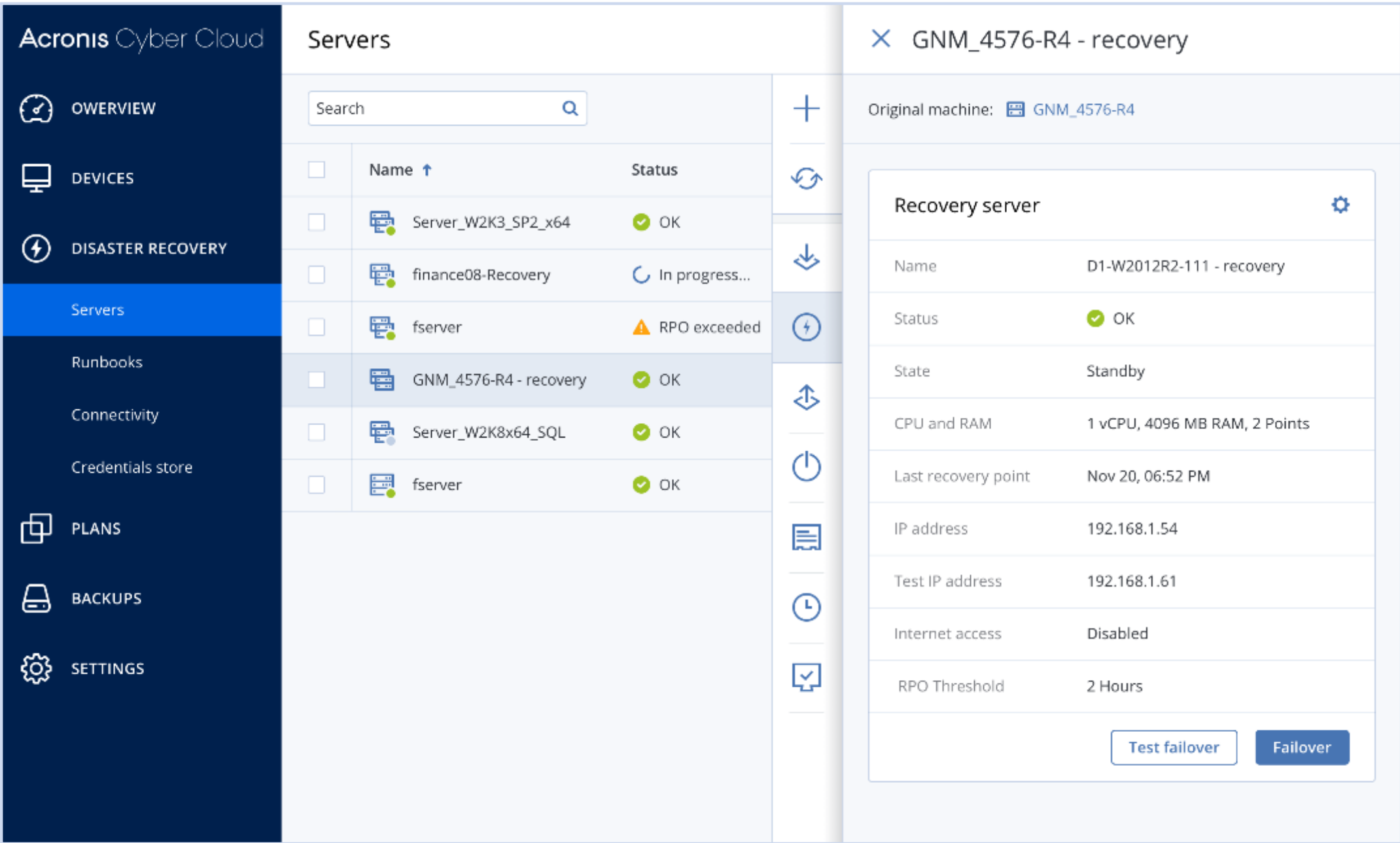
↺ All activities

New Disaster Recovery section

Reduce management overhead

Find all disaster recovery controls in the new Disaster Recovery section.

Manage key functionality using separated tabs: server list, runbooks, connectivity settings, and the credentials store.

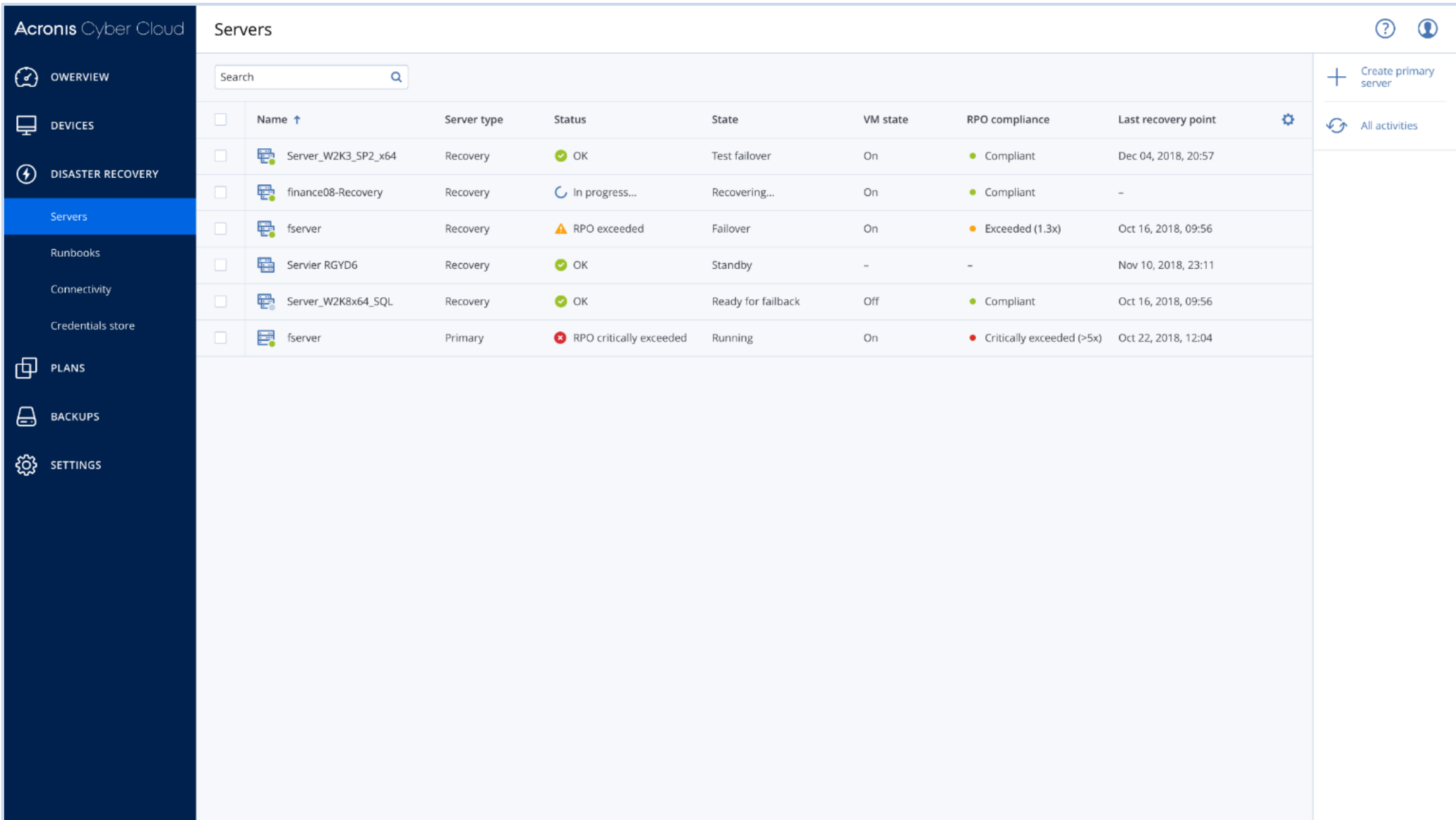


Redesigned cloud server management UI

Gain greater visibility into your cloud server environment

Improvements in the cloud server management interface:

- Device statuses are now more informative and actionable, and based on alerts.
- The “Machine status” column is still in the table but is now called “State”.
- A new “VM state” column is added.
- The “Backup status” column is replaced with a more informative “Last recovery point” column.



The screenshot displays the 'Servers' management page in the Acronis Cyber Cloud interface. A left-hand navigation menu includes options like Overview, Devices, Disaster Recovery, Servers (selected), Runbooks, Connectivity, Credentials store, Plans, Backups, and Settings. The main area features a table with columns for Name, Server type, Status, State, VM state, RPO compliance, and Last recovery point. The table lists several servers, including 'Server_W2K3_SP2_x64', 'finance08-Recovery', 'fserver', 'Server RGYD6', 'Server_W2K8x64_SQL', and another 'fserver'. The 'Status' column uses colored icons to indicate health (green for OK, blue for in progress, orange for RPO exceeded, red for critically exceeded). The 'State' column shows operational states like 'Test failover', 'Recovering...', 'Failover', 'Standby', 'Ready for fallback', and 'Running'. The 'VM state' column indicates if the server is 'On' or 'Off'. The 'RPO compliance' column shows compliance status (green for compliant, orange for exceeded, red for critically exceeded). The 'Last recovery point' column provides timestamps for the most recent recovery. On the right side of the table, there are buttons for 'Create primary server' and 'All activities'.

Name	Server type	Status	State	VM state	RPO compliance	Last recovery point
Server_W2K3_SP2_x64	Recovery	OK	Test failover	On	Compliant	Dec 04, 2018, 20:57
finance08-Recovery	Recovery	In progress...	Recovering...	On	Compliant	-
fserver	Recovery	RPO exceeded	Failover	On	Exceeded (1.3x)	Oct 16, 2018, 09:56
Server RGYD6	Recovery	OK	Standby	-	-	Nov 10, 2018, 23:11
Server_W2K8x64_SQL	Recovery	OK	Ready for fallback	Off	Compliant	Oct 16, 2018, 09:56
fserver	Primary	RPO critically exceeded	Running	On	Critically exceeded (>5x)	Oct 22, 2018, 12:04

An illustration of a person with dark hair, wearing a white shirt and a dark vest, sitting in a dark blue office chair at a light blue desk. They are looking at a large computer monitor that displays four charts: two donut charts and two bar charts. To the left of the monitor is a dark blue mug with a white letter 'A' on it. The background is a server room with blue server racks and glowing light effects.

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