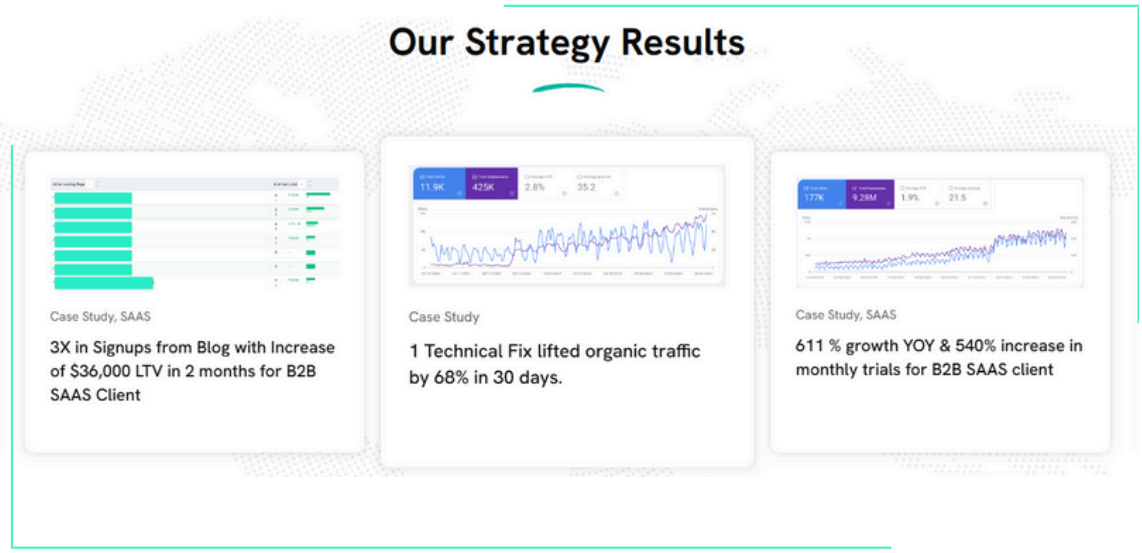
10 Content & SEO Mistakes That Kill Conversions for B2B SaaS (and How to Fix Them)



A Guide to Growing Revenue with SEO and Content Strategies that helped our clients 4x their businesses.

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Section 1: Introduction:
The state of SaaS in 2024 + 2025 Predictions

24% reported difficulties with converting leads to revenue

27% of B2B marketers say they are effective at driving new business

48% of B2B marketers say driving enough leads is a challenge

60% of B2B marketing budgets are allocated to acquiring new customers

7 in 10 B2B respondents have increased their budget for lead generation

84% of marketers say driving new business is their top priority

45% of B2B companies plan to increase their content marketing spend within the next year.

42% will stick to the same budget. Only 6% will spend less,

and 7% are unsure.

Why some B2B SaaS companies struggle to convert visitors into users

Founders often fall into the "traffic trap."

When you are creating only educational content, or TOFU (top-of-the-funnel content), you are attracting visitors that are **not ready to buy**.

They are looking for general information - but not a solution.

These articles are typically not in-depth enough and can be generated with AI tools.

These types of articles are not going to work in **2025**, especially if they are not product-led or unique in any way.

Website traffic is meaningless if only 1% of visitors buy.

We've seen companies spending $30,000/month on content creation while converting less than 1% of their traffic.

**B2B SaaS Companies are tracking vanity metrics,
like page views and social shares,
instead of revenue-focused KPIs like trial-to-paid conversion rate
and customer lifetime value (CLTV).**

RESULT?

High bounce rates, low engagement,
and leads that aren't sales-ready.

Your traffic is growing,
but your trial-to-paid conversion rate
remains stuck at 2-3%

Your content team is producing more articles
but your customer acquisition cost (CAC)
keeps rising

Your organic traffic hits a plateau
despite investing heavily
in content marketing

Your sales team reports
that leads aren't sales-ready,
despite your content marketing efforts

Your churn rate is increasing because
customers aren't finding the value they
expected from your marketing promises

Difficulty scaling high-quality content
production without losing quality

Misaligned content
with product positioning and buyer intent

THE ROOT PROBLEM?

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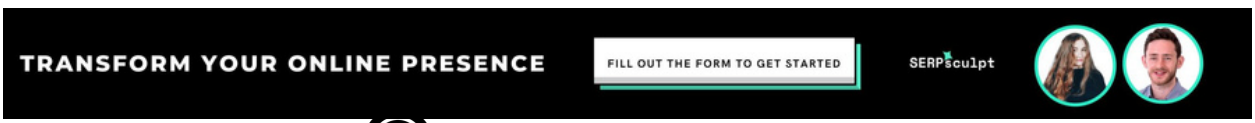
Most SaaS don't build a conversion-focused growth engine.

This guide outlines the top mistakes we've identified in B2B SaaS content & SEO, with actionable steps that helped our clients:

- *4x their profits*
- *300% increase in trials YOY Month 1 publishing*
- *146% increase in trials YOY Month 2 publishing*
- *195% increase in trials over the 2 months of publishing*

The catch is - you have to apply them.

Or, you can partner with us and never worry about your organic growth, link building and thought leadership positioning.



LET'S START

Section 1: Technical SEO & Content Structure Mistakes

Mistake 1: No Featured Snippet Optimization

? Why It Matters:

Missing featured snippets means missing prime visibility in search results.

Solution:

Optimize content with clear, concise answers to increase chances of featured snippets.

For comparison searches ("X vs Y"), use this proven format:

- Create a H2 heading: "X vs Y"
- Follow immediately with: "The main difference between X and Y is..."
- Example: Search "SEM vs TEM" to see this in action

Case study:

A B2B design platform was struggling to rank while targeting only competitive keywords.

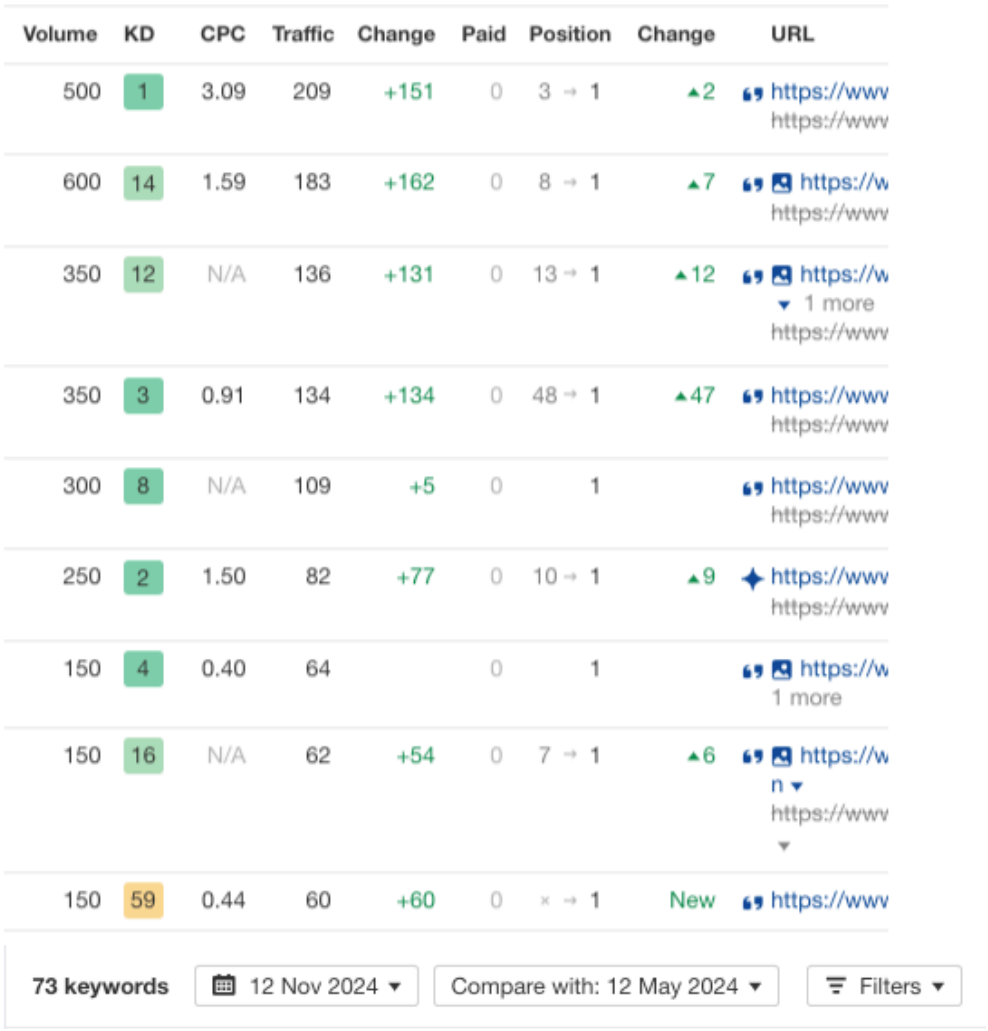
We shifted their strategy to bottom-of-funnel comparison content

RESULT?

Results:

- **Ranked first for conversion-focused keywords within weeks**
- **Maintained #1 position for 3+ months**
- **Generated $120,000 in revenue in the first 6 months of implementing this strategy.**

Example of a client who generated over 70 featured snippets (with keywords of at least 100 monthly searches). This has brought not only more traffic but conversions too.



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350	3	0.91	134	+134	0	48 → 1	▲47	https://www https://www
300	8	N/A	109	+5	0	1		https://www https://www
250	2	1.50	82	+77	0	10 → 1	▲9	https://www https://www
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73 keywords | 12 Nov 2024 | Compare with: 12 May 2024 | Filters

Mistake 2: Poor Content Structure (Walls of Text)

? Why It Matters:

Long, unstructured text is hard to read & reduces engagement.

Solution:

Use headers, bullet points, and images to make content digestible and engaging.

Case-Study:

A B2B benefits platform client assumed their audience wanted academic-style content.

MS Clarity analytics revealed readers disengaged after the introduction, resulting in poor conversion rates.

We tested a more accessible writing style, which showed immediate results.

Now we're applying this optimization across their entire content library.

Bonus formatting tips:

The goal: Maximize reader engagement through clear, concise communication.

Emphasize Key Points:

- Use bold to highlight important words
- Use (parentheses) for additional context

Improve content Structure:

- Keep sentences short and direct
- Create clear paragraphs
- Add jump links for easy navigation
- Cut unnecessary words
- Avoid filler words
- Get to the point quickly

Improve readability:

- Font size: 12-16 pt on mobile
- Font size: 6-20 pt on desktop
- Maintain margin space

Section 2: Strategic Mistakes and Long-Term Planning

Mistake 3: Lack of High Intent Content and Topical Authority

Why It Matters:

Random unconnected posts on similar topics do not build authority in Google’s eyes.

Solution:

Create content for different stages of the buyer's journey starting with BOFU content. Prioritize **intent over volume**.

Case-Study:

We analyzed Google Ads data for our client in the communications niche.

This led to finding many **proven keywords** that convert.

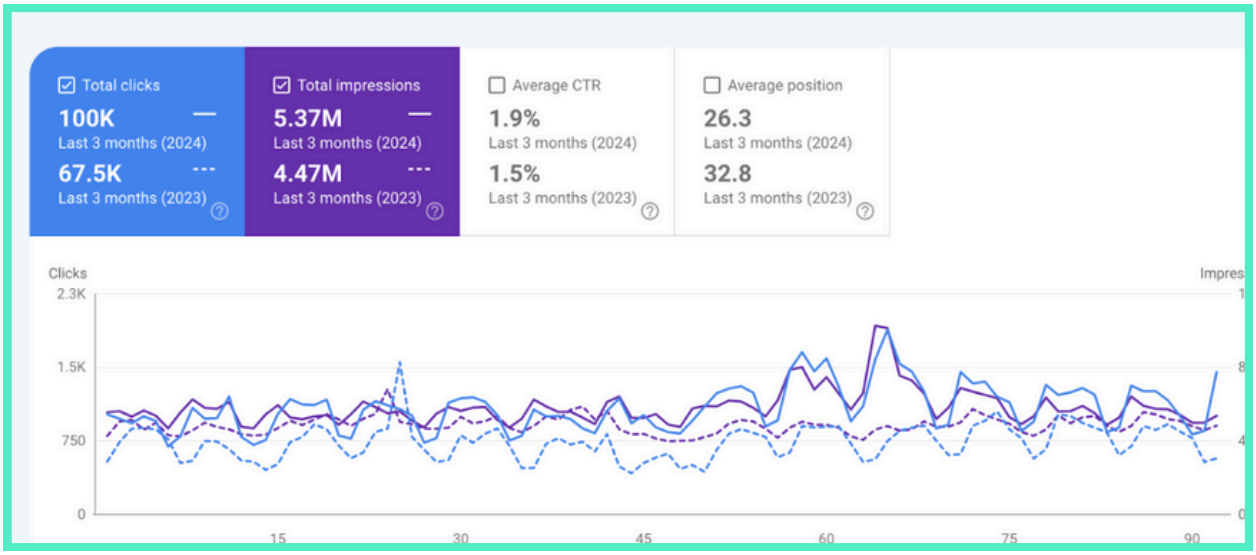
With our ICP focused research in month 1, we developed our strategy.

RESULT?

Then we created blog posts that started converting.

Results:

48% increase in traffic YOY & organic revenue up 38%.



Mistake 4: Keyword Cannibalization

Why It Matters:

Cannibalizing keywords spreads traffic thin and reduces rankings.

Solution:

Conduct a keyword audit & consolidate content to strengthen rankings.

Here’s how to find Keyword Canninalization in 4 steps:

Step 1:

Site Crawling: Retrieve site's URLs from the sitemap or use a tool like Screaming Frog or Site Bulb.

Step 2:

URL Scraping and Filtering: Copy URLs to Google Sheets. You may need to remove URLs that are no-index, canonicalised etc.

Step 3:

Tokenize URLs: Simplify URLs to keywords by removing symbols for clearer clustering.

Step 4:

Cluster with KWI: Use Keyword Insights to group URLs with similar keywords to identify keyword overlap.

Case study:

For a recent client, a previous SEO agency had gone hard on content creation.

The rationale was more topical authority.

The problem?

There was a lack of strategy & deep research. They subsequently ended up creating multiple blog posts targeting the same topics and keywords.

After identifying, merging and 301 redirecting content, we created a single most powerful version of a blog post to target the topic and keywords.

This is an example of a blog post gaining traction in search after being updated and merged.

Mistake 5: Outdated Content Fails to Engage

❓ Why It Matters:

Content that isn't regularly updated can lose relevance & search visibility.

Case study:

The screenshot below is for a client who was sitting on outdated content. Within 24 hours of hitting update, traffic spiked 📈

💡 Solution:

Regularly refresh content to align with current trends and search interest.

The 3 criteria we look for when choosing content to optimize are:

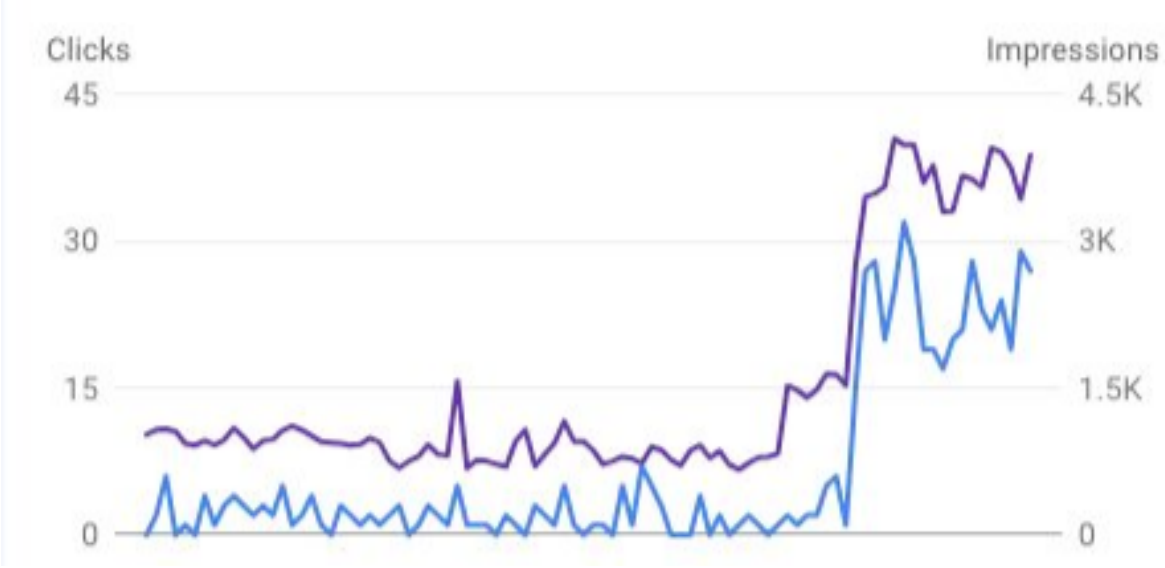
- Conversion potential
- Search volume
- Quick win content.

The best content to optimize has ideally all 3.

RESULT?

Here's what we did:

- Update publication date
- Update title
- Make sure content is still matching search intent
- Add content to improve & hit search intent
- Add optimised images
- Point internal links



Not only did traffic spike, but so did conversions as this blog post met our criteria for optimisation (conversion potential, search volume & quick win content)

Section 3: Common Content & SEO Mistakes in B2B SaaS

Mistake 6: Educational Content That's Not Product-Led

❓ Why It Matters:

Content that educates without showcasing your product misses conversion opportunities.

Solution:

Answer user intent by showing your product as a solution, instead of creating general steps that can be generated with ChatGPT.

Implement a product-led content strategy with BOFU (bottom-of-funnel) topics that show your product as the ideal solution.

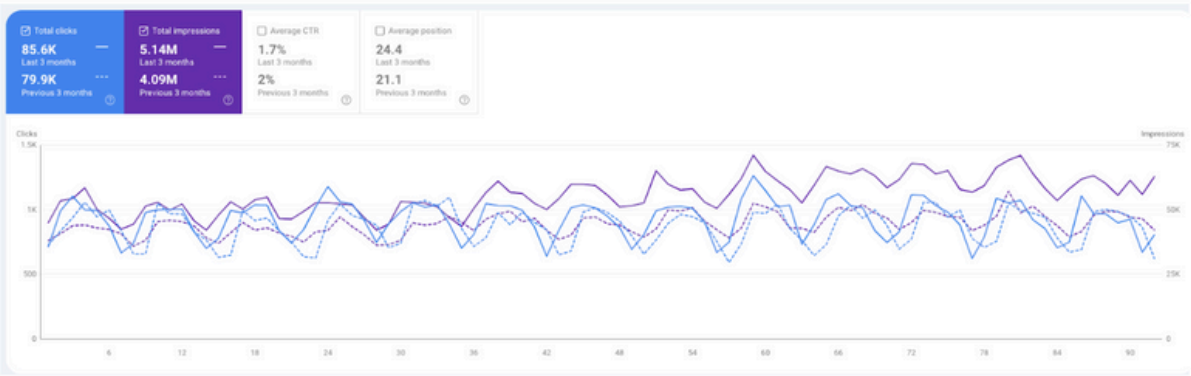
Great examples include

- Product list posts
- Competitor alternatives
- Competitor vs competitor

Case study:

We focused on high-intent topics with product-led content as our core SEO strategy for our B2B SaaS client in AI website building space.

The result was a **611% growth increase YOY** and **540% increase in monthly trials from the blog**.



Mistake 7: Ignoring Search Intent

Why It Matters:

Mismatched content intent leads to high bounce rates & lower rankings.

Companies often create promotional content when users are seeking specific solutions.

Solution:

Align content with search intent through a clear problem-solution framework.

Key questions to ask:

- What does the user want to accomplish?
- What's their goal when searching for this keyword?
- Where are they in the customer journey?
- Are they researching or ready to buy?

Every search can be tied back to the **5 stages of Awareness** in Breakthrough Advertising:

- Stage 1: Unaware.
- Stage 2: Problem Aware.
- Stage 3: Solution Aware.
- Stage 4: Product Aware.
- Stage 5: Most Aware.

Every searcher falls into 1 of the above categories

Case-Study:

A B2B accounting client came to us after previous agencies' AI-generated content missed user intent.

Their "How to Reconcile XYZ Platform Payments" guide became generic bookkeeping advice instead of specific platform instructions.

We rewrote their content to balance platform-specific guidance with their software's solutions

Mistake 8: Generic Content with No Unique Value

Why It Matters:

Generic content doesn't engage users or differentiate your brand.

Solution:

Create content that showcases unique insights, real-world case studies, and actionable implementation steps.

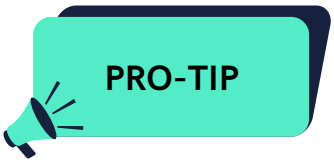
Focus on **depth over speed**.

Case-Study:

Our client initially used their in-house generalist writers for content creation after our strategy and brief development.

When conversion rates remained low, we optimized their content with **specialist writers** to match their advanced audience's needs.

Result: **4x increase in conversion rates within 2 months.**



Deep ICP Research and specialist writers can unlock and show that value.

Section 4: Conversion-Centered Content Mistakes

Mistake 9: Poor CTA Placement

Why It Matters:

If CTAs are only at the bottom of posts, readers may never see them.

Solution:

Place CTAs at high-engagement points within the content.

Case study:

We setup MS Clarity for a B2B SAAS client.

We let it run for 1 month before making any changes to the site while focusing on strategy developement.

PRO-TIP

A Sticky CTA can help users sign up at any time. Just make sure it is not disrupting their UX.

AND THEN WE...

We noticed after 1 month, roughly **90% of users** were not scrolling all the way to the bottom of blog posts (especially on long form content).

So, we

- Made selected blog posts more product focused
- Got to the point straight away
- Made the writing more snappy
- Included CTA's further up the content

What was the result?

In 1 blog post, 30 days after the optimisation, there was
- Increase in Conversions (**3x**)
- Increase in time on page (6 seconds)
- And even less people scrolling to the bottom of the page (90% → 99%)

Mistake 10: Generic CTAs

Why It Matters:

Bland CTAs like “Sign up now” lack impact and fail to convey value.

Solution:

Create CTAs that are value-driven, visual and specific to the content topic.

Case study:

We optimized a blog post CTA’s for a B2B SAAS CLIENT by strategically placing them in different places within the content AND improving the copy of the CTA.

The end result? 2x increase in signups.

CTA Improvement Examples ⬇

Get CRM -> Improve your team performance with simple CRM

Book a call -> Schedule a strategy session

Get Started -> Scale your SAAS

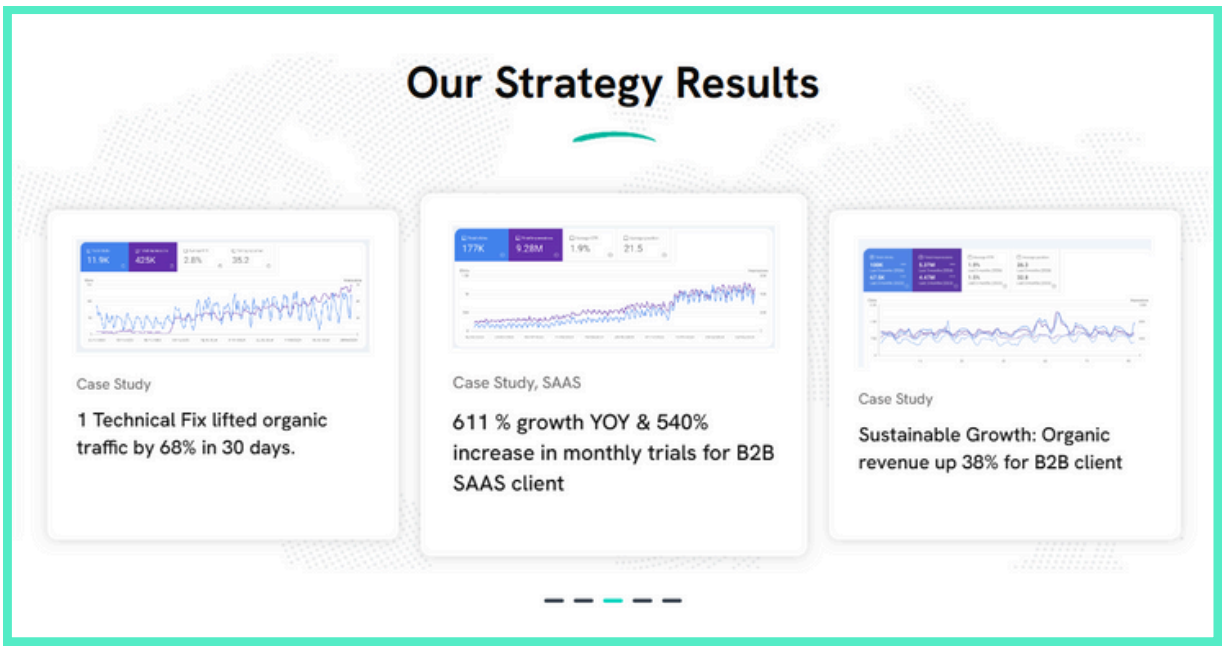
Sign up -> Sign up for free (no credit card)

Ready to Transform Your SaaS Growth?

If you stop making these mistakes you can achieve:

- **4x increase in qualified leads**
- **50% reduction in sales cycle length**
- **40% improvement in trial-to-paid conversion rate**

We helped **American Express**, **Get Response**, **Wiza, TubeBudy, Friendly Captcha, Sourceful, Durable, Forma, DialMyCalls, Link My Books** and many many more companies convert more visitor into paying clients by fixing these mistakes and creating strategies and content

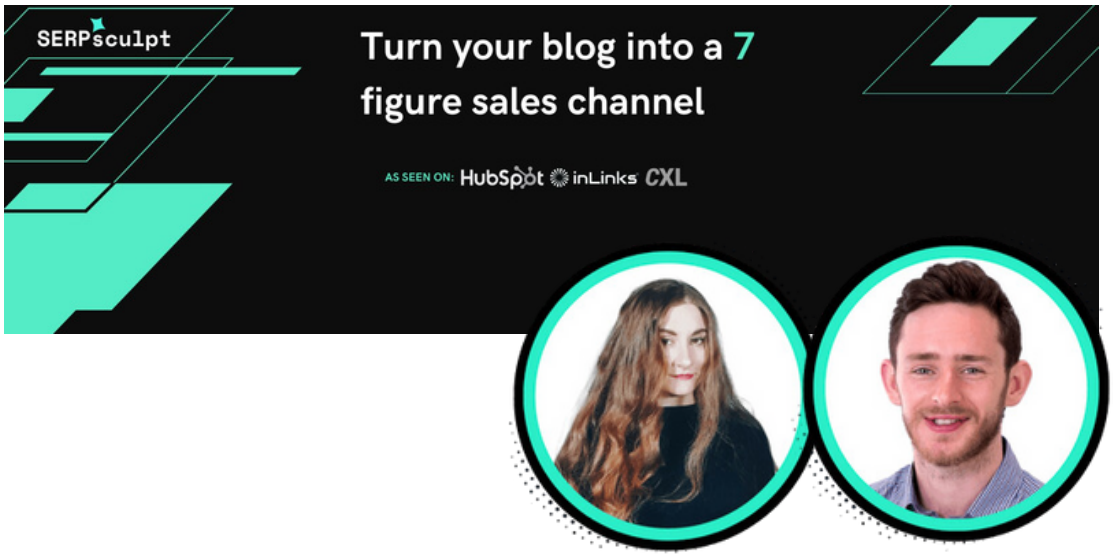


Cant do it yourself? Let's partner

As founders ourselves, we know how hectic running a profitable business can get.

If you want us to jump in and take the whole content creation process off your plate, all you need to do is fill out this simple form

We'll get back to you in 48 hours
We'll schedule a call if we're a fit



We specialize in creating high-quality, conversion-focused content and SEO strategies so you never have to worry about your organic growth and blog again.